Ministry of Defence has begun a study on her Britain should start to develop chemical sons which could be used to retaliate against is attack in wartime. The Defence White g, published yesterday, says that unlike Nato Soviet Union has a large capability for sive chemical warfare.

Large Soviet stocks' White Paper says

Correspondent Ministry of Defence is being whether Britain lesters to develop chemistry of the being fetaliate against a gas in wartime. al of Mr Francis Pym, ity of State for Defence, time limit and no deci-

based upon an analysis military threat from the Union, whose stocks of el weapons are thought e increased in quantity ality in the past decade, in's Defence White m's Defence White for 1980-81, which was ed yesterday, says that > Nato, the Soviet Union major capability for re chemical warfare. forces maintain large of chemical municions e fully equipped and to operate in a chemical

White Paper lists some defensive equipment is being developed in protect troops such an offensive.

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provements to the Services' capacity to operate outside the

Afghanistan and instability in the Gulf has prompted the Government to think again. Improvements being considered include more Horseles include more Hercules trans-port aircraft, more naval support ships, equipment stockpiles in Gulf states, and more men and equipment for the Army's 8th Field Force.

One parachute battalion will also be available in future to provide airborne support at seven days' notice.

"Such improvements can be achieved at relatively modest cost, yet they give the Services significantly more flexibility to undertake tasks outside the Nato area", the White Paper

It points to the rising costs stationing troops in West Forces' manpower problems and confirms a defence budget for 1980-81 of £8,001m at 1979 survey prices.

The White Paper says that more use is to be made of women in the Services and "we must reconsider and perhaps revise our traditional attitude to allowing them to bear arms". However, the Govern-ment believed that at present there could be no question of them engaging in combat or being armed for other duties.

Our Political Editor writes: The political battle to ensure that the £10.785m estimated defence budget produces the promised 3 per cent spending increase in real terms could dewhich would lead to a pend on the Ministry escaping the squeeze of Government cash limits. That was made clear by Cabinet for this year's increase in real terms.

> The outcome will depend on how far inflation this year outstrips the Treasury's prediction of about 16! per cent by next November. Like other depart-ments, Defence faces a cash limit allowing only 14 per cent more for pay and prices—with this important exception that Forces' pay increases, already decided but not yet announced, will be allowed to rise higher. Their "comparability" was a

firm Conservative commitment However, serious overspending could arise on the other costs. The Treasury has already made clear that there are to be no privileged departments in the operation of cash limits. But while the Government is

committed to cash limits it is olso committed to the real in-creases in defence spending, and Mr Pym intends clearly to give them precedence.

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on sympathy strikes in new clause

A far tighter restriction than originally proposed of secondary industrial action such as "blacking" and sympathy strikes is contained in the Government's new clause amending the Employment Bill which was tabled in the Commons last night.

Its effect is to remove the unions' present legal immuni-ties from civil action by employers from all secondary action except that taken by employees of suppliers and customers "directly to prevent or disrupt "the supply of goods and services to an employer in dispute. This is the so-called first supplier and first

Last night government spukesmen were unable 10 say whether the text had been conveyed to the TUC. Union in anger. So will Labour MPs once they realize that the Government has put the clause before the Commons on the last day before the Easter recess when many will have gone

Had the clause been law during the steel scrike only secondary action directly affecting the British Steel Corporation would have been immune. The legislation, as before, applies only to breaking of commercial contracts, not contracts of employment.

The new clause produces a test for judges which is more precise than the "extraneous originally suggested. In future, to gain immunity, secondary action will have to satisfy a judge that its "purpose or principal purpose" was the disrupting of supply to the original employer and that it "was likely to achieve that

Thus industrial action having a "scatter" or chain reaction effect even if, under the present law done in furtherance of a trade dispute, will no longer enjoy immunity.

The Government introducing the new clause at the Bill's report stage which is

Governor Brown drops out of the race and Senator Kennedy's hopes are jolted

President Carter passes half-way point towards nomination

Madison, Wisconsin, April 2 President Carter and Mr

Ronald Reagan won important Kansas primaries yesterday. The President won 56 per cent of the Democratic vote and Senator Edward Kennedy did less well than he hoped, gaining 30

per cent.
Mr Jerry Brown, Covernor of California, won only 12 per cent and immediately announced that he would withdraw from the

Among the Republicans, Mr
Reagan won 40 per cent in
Wisconsin to Mr George Busb's
31 per cent and Mr John
Auderson's 28 per cent. The
Could choose freely between

He needs a miracle to win the Republican nomination, and if

he is harbouring serious hopes of running as a third party randidate for the Presidency. his defeat here should give him

whose at the polling statton which primary to vote in. There was a large "crossover" vote of Democrats in the Republican primary. The largest number close to vote for Mr Anderson but a substantial number por-

chose Mr Reagan, Mr Carter, Kennedy and Mr Brown, For the first time since 1956, there were more Republican vaters 1850,000) than Democrats

(600,000). In Kansas, Mr Reagan won 63 per cent, Mr Anderson 18 per cent and Mr Bush 13 per cent. It is probably a sign of the way the vote will go in Republican primaries in the west. President Carter won 57 per cent of the Democratic vote while Senator Kennedy polled 32 per cent.

In terms of delegates to the national conventions, Mr Carter won 23 in Kansas and Mr Ken-

Carter secured 48, Mr Kennedy 26. Mr Carter now has 852 delegates committed to him, more win the nomination, Mr Kennedy has 427.
On the Republican side, Mr Reagan won 28 delegates there

and Mr Anderson six. He car-ried the state capital, Madison, which is Wisconsin's intellec-tual centre. Mr Bush, although polling more votes than Mr Anderson, failed to win any district in the state and therefore won no delegates. In Kansas Mr Reagan won 20

delegates. Mr Anderson five and Mr Bush three. This gives Mr Reagan a total of 340 dele-

gates. Mr Bush 74 and Mr Anderson 57 with 77 uncom-mitted. The nomination is secured with 998.

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Mr Brown announced bis withdrawal from the race as soon as the first results came in. He needed to win at least 20 per cent of the vote here to qualify for further Government subsidies for his campaign. Although he had campaigned hard he missed by a wide margin.

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His last hopes were destroyed by Senator Kennedy's sudden revival after his victories in New York and Connecticut last week and also by Mr Anderson's campaign. There was no room for three liberals in the field

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operation: A veterinary surgeon checks the progress of Ching Ching, the female giant panda given "to the British people" by the People's Republic of China six years ago. The panda had an emergency operation to relieve an intestinal obstruction and was still in a critical condition yesterday. She showed some expected shortly after the condition yesterday. She showed some Easter recess ends on April 14. improvement last night and was "taking

an interest in her bamboo", according to the London Zoo.

The panda's illness is particularly unfortunate in that her keepers had been hoping to mate her with Chia Chia, a gift from China in 1974. One school of thought has it that the animals are not ready to mate until their seventh spring, so the next few months would have been crucial.

Judge orders Granada to disclose source of secret BSC papers

Granada Television ordered in the High Court yesterday to disclose the source of confidential documents they obtained about the British Steel Corporation and used in a World in Action programme

in February.
Sir Robert Megarry, Vice-Cirancellor of the Chancery Division of the High Court, dismissed Granada's claim that such a disclosure would be against the public interest and ordered them to pay costs, estimated at about £20,000.

BSC was seeking an order that Granada Television produce an affidavit giving the names of the person or persons who supplied the confidential documents.

Sir Robert said it would be a denial of justice not to order the source to be revealed. It was the only remedy open to BSC, which needed to find the source to protect itself from a similar disclosure in future.

The case was not one of an exposure of an iniquity, but exposure by iniquity, he said. "The question of remaining quiet about information honestly supplied does not The leaking of the documents

by someone in the pay of BSC. by someone in the pay of BSC, to enable the latter to be criticized in public, was a "grave breach of confidence", he said. The order was suspended until April 16 pending an appeal. Afterwards, Mr David Boulton, head of current affairs at Granada, said: "Of course we shall appeal. We shall take this case as far as it is

this case as far as it is "This judgment has implica-tions for all journalists in the cations are that they cannot speak to sources and that

bose sources know that journalists can be compelled to reveal The ruling was also criticized by the National Union of

Journalists, Mr Jacob Ecclestone, president, said it was another example of the judici-ary being used in a vindictive vay by a Government which was embarrassed about the steel strike.

"There is a long and honour-able tradition in British public life of people leaking sensitive information to journalists when they believe that the establishment has got it wrong. Here is the establishment trying to Law Report, page 27

gramme on February 4, "The Steel Papers", revealed high-level discussions, some as far back as six years ago. The main thrust of the programme, the court heard, was that BSC's difficulties were not just a result of low productivity but also of bad management.

BSC bad had to make inquir-

ies in order to establish the source. Sir Robert told the court. That had created an un-pleasant atmosphere. "A cloud is hanging over those people, many of whom might be entirely innocent." Any organization would want

to take precautions against any further disclosure by an employee in what was a breach of confidence. "Apart from anything else, it militates against efficiency." He had no hesitation in com-

ing down on the side of ordering disclosure, "It is the only way and clearly they need to protect themselves against this happen-ing again."

There was no adequate sum which "would compensate for

leaving undiscovered and uπguilty of so grave a breach of confidence, he said. The damage was done and could not be Granada had taken full

advantage of the documents and then returned them, having mutilated them, knowing full well they should not have had them in the first place, he said. BSC had done nothing against

After the programme, BSC issued a writ preventing further use of the documents and these were returned, but torn and mutilated so that identification of the source was difficult, the court heard. After the judge's ruling. Mr

Patrick Moloney, junior counsel for Granada, appealed unsuccessfully for costs to be borne by each side. " My clients acted in a way

which all members of the media would recognize as being with propriety. They did not solicit information; they were affered it. Having got it, they pub-licized it and invited Sir Charles Villiers—with prior warning-on to the programme

Setback for BL militants as unions | 'Major' UK split on support for strike call Union. As representatives of sign the 92-page company docu-skilled workers they stand to ment setting out sweeping gain more under the company's changes in working practises pay offer which involves 5 per which will now be imposed

The militant shop stewards' movement at BL suffered another setback resterday when a meeting of national officials Fall 11 manual unions refused to back their call for an all-out strike next Tuesday-the day the company will impose its controversial pay and working conditions package.

More than 300

stewards representing all 36 car plants were called to the social club at Triumph, Canley, near Coventry, to hear the result of a meeting between the national officers and the union side of BL Cars joint negotiating committee.
The stewards were told that the unions were divided in

their backing for an official strike, but that the mapority were clearly against it. The most vociferous in its opposi-tion was the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, which, after Tuesday's meeting of its national executive, instructed members to report for work as usual next Tuesday. The engineers were sup-ported by the Electricians' Union and the Pattern Makers'

and 10 per cent for ioUcent for production workers liked to have seen a unanimous and 10 per cent for craftsmen. recommendation for a strike. I

The meeting that followed was very stormy with some shop stewards walking out in protest. One steward who left the room "to get some fresh air" said: "It's bloody chaos in there. We don't know what the hell is going on except that a lot of the union bosses are against a strike".

A resolution calling for official union support for any plant which voted for indi-vidual strike action was

defeated. Eventually it was agreed that senior stewards should report back to their plants and if necessary hold mass meetings

to see if there was support for individual plant action. Mr Grenville Hawley, National Automotive Secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, and the leader of the union ream on the com-pany's negotiating committee, said although the unions had failed to agree on strike action they had all agreed to refuse to He went on: "I would have

had thought they would have recognized that it is time to resist this imposition and bring the company back to the negotiating table. He said that some national officials were prepared to sup-

port strike action but he refused to name them.

Asked if the outcome of so much confusion might be a series of "bushfire" strikes, he replied "that must be a distinct possibility". BL has told its 86,000 manual

car workers that reporting for work on Tuesday after the Easter holiday break will be taken as acceptance of the pay offer and the introduction working practices to bring its factories into line with continental competitors. It has warned that disruptive action will be punished.

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The new wage rates will be backdated to November 1 when the previous pay deal expires.

Some workers will receive in excess of £300 in back pay.

oil find in North Sea

By Edward Townsend oil in the British sector of the

North Sea which could prove to be a major discovery. Preliminary drilling in block 16/3A, nine miles north of the Brae oilfield and 150 miles north east of the Scottish coast, has produced oil flows totalling more than 15,000 barrels a day. Experts said this could indicate a new field with recoverable resources of nearly 500 million barrels which would rival the reserves of the Brae field. Marathon has also found encouraging gas reserves which initially flowed at 16.6 million to 28.8 million cubic feet per

day.
The wildcat well was drilled by the rig Aladdin to a depth of 15,415 ft and is in about

370 ft of water,
Marathon Oil UK, a whollyowned subsidiary of Marathon
Oil, is the operator for a group of companies which include the British National Oil Corporation, Bow Valley Exploration (UK), Raiser Exploration (UK), LL and E (UK) Inc. Saga Petroleum (UK), Siebens Oil and Gas (UK) and Sunningdale Oils (UK).

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Tied man with two children will be week worse off in sick pay under upent proposals. Employers would orkers sick benefit for eight weeks Aggested rate of £30 a week Page 6

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States interest rates continued to resterday and Chemical Bank the first to set a prime rate of cent. Despite this loans are still g 13 per cent higher than last year's

sidents warned

Chinese authorities have warned the try's dissidents against trying to the silenced human rights and ocracy movements. Peking's only lining opposition magazine the April h. Forum, has stopped publication use of "indirect warnings". Page 8

unster's will upheld

nale nurse. Mr Walface Davey, who ried a spinster aged 93 two months are her death, failed in the High Court werturn his wife's will, in which most ter £130,000 estate went to her family Page 6

Iran asks for new guarantees from US President Carter and his foreign policy advisers were pondering a demand from Iran for new guarantees from Washington before the Aemrican hostages are trans-

ferred to the custody of the Iranian Government. President Bani-Sadr said he was still waiting for the Administration to state its intentions Page 8 state its intentions Approved banks list In the first step in the implementation of the Banking Act, the Bank of England yesterday published a three-tier list of

recognized banks, deposit taking institu-

tions and firms still awaiting a decision

about their status

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El Salvador martial law to be extended

El Salvador's junta announced that martial law is to be extended. Shots were fired at the Guatemalan ambassador and two Dutch television reporters were wounded, The United States ambassador supported the junta's version of the violence at Archbishop Romero's funeral

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Tax on food imports will increase British cash contribution to EEC

From Michael Hornsby

European Commission.

Brussels, April 2 A tax of 2.1 per cent will be levied on the bulk of British food imports from Monday to offset the recent sharp rise in the value of the pound against other EEC currencies, it was announced here today by the

The tax will partially cancel out the reduction in the cost of British food imports brought about by the appreciation of sterling, whose buoyancy is attri-buted mainly to high interest rates and the confidence factor of North Sea oil. The yield from the new tax

will have to be handed over to Brussels and will swell still further the size of Britain's already bloated contribution to the EEC budget. This will only partially be offset by subsidies on Britain's food exports since these are much smaller than its food imports.

Under EEC rules the import tax and export subsidy automatically come into operation when the pound rises more than 2.5 per cent above the artificial "creen" rate-used to translate the EEC's common farm prices (fixed in units of account) into sterling.

Over the past week the pound

on average has been 3.6 per cent above its "green" rate. Under the rules, the first 1.5 per cent of this divergence is discounted. As the remaining from Paris), gap is still more than 1 per The decicent, the taxes and subsidies, known as monetary compensa-

not only welcomed the prospect of the import tax but even tried -unsuccessfully-to get it increased so as to neutralize com-pletely the pound's appreciation.

Mr Walker argued that sterling's rise had put British food traders at a serious disadvan tage in competing against their Continental counterparts. He claimed that the loss to consumers and the increase in Britain's EEC budget deficit resulting from the import tax would be more than offset by the trading gains.

Nonetheless, there is no doubt that Mr Walker's attitude has undermined the credibility of the traditional British criticism the Common Agricultural Policy as an instrument designed to enrich farmers and traders at the expense of con-

It is open to Mr Walker to seck a revaluation of the pound to raise it to 'green ' the level of the real pound, French competition: Cabinet said today that French agricultura I products will become more competitive as a result of the recent agreement of Europeun agricultura minister sto suppress the French minimum compensatory amounts tlan Murray writes

The decision French agricultural prices would rise by 3.6 per cent but French tory amounts, come into effect. the Cabinet statement showed Last week Mr Peter Walker, that this fell short of French Minister of Agriculture, Fish-expectations.



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Militants expected to drop their resistance as 150,000 steel workers end 13-week strike today

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

The British Steel Corporation expects an orderly return to work by its 150,000 employees this morning after 13 weeks and one day of official strike.

The only centre of resistance. in South Wales, is expected to full in line with the general pattern later in the day.

More than 2.00 craftsmen at Port Tralbot have threatened to stay out until the separate dispute over the future of their plant and the sister works at Llanwern has been settled.

BSC wants to make 11,500 men redundant in a slimming down operation of the two integrated plants as part of its closure programme.

But Mr Des Rees, chairman of tht Port Talbot Joint Craftsmen's Committee, said: "The mood of the men is for a return production workers have already decided to go back in South Wales. to work ". Blastfurnacemen and

Comments by Mr John steel strike were defeated at a Perrin, district secretary of the mass meeting of steelworkers National Union of Blassfurnacemen, suggest that the men there will agree to open negotiations with the corporation on tife partial closure if the redundancy pay can be agreed. " My union will fight to save as many jobs as possible," he said. Redundancy payments would be negotiated after production

Until yesterday there was no

restarted.

Mr William Sirs, zeneral secretary of the dominant Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, insisted after his union voted to accept the 16 per cent pay deal: "We have accepted the offer and decided to return to work only to gird our loins for the next struggle, in which we will fight the case for jobs." mated three to one majority militants seeking to prolong the

at Rotherham yesterday (Ronald Kershaw writes).

The decision to follow the recommendations of the ISTC executive was bitterly contested by a minority who maintained there had been a seliout.

There are some 23.000 ISTC workers in Yorkshire and Humberside and there is little doubt that most of them will report for work today.

suggestion that the unions Dock strike ends : Settlement of would even talk about redund- the steel strike ended a 13-day standstill at Liverpool docks and narrowly averted a national dock stoppage (R. W. Shakespeare writes).

> At a mass meeting yesterday obout 4,000 Merseyside dockers voted overwhelmingly for a return to work from 8 am today.

The port's first task will be to clear 25 ships stranded along the Mersey waterfront and a dozen waiting to get into berths.

Honourable draw: page 16

BSC to discuss ways to recover lost business and break even

The board of the British Steel Corporation will today discuss strategy for recovering business lost because of the strike. It will also talk about plans for carrying through the retrenchment programme if it is to meet the government-imposed targer of breaking even financially this year.

As steelworkers prepared to return to work, executives of the corporation last night appealed for smooth produc-tion, which will be critical to the corporation in winning back the share of the market it has

But against the backcloth of the recession and the steep reduction in demand for steel, workers were warned that the initial demand for steel will be short-lived and that while the the capacity and jobs cutbacks

Negotiations on the planned reduction in the corporation's Jabour force to 100,000 men have been delayed because of the strike. But the 30,000 jobs which are due to be axed (about 22,000 redundancies have already been agreed) are a main feature of the corpora-tion's attempts to reduce costs

Because its prices are already higher than most of its comperitors, and rising costs of raw materials are adding further burdens, the board is expected to take a tough line on the need for costs to be reduced as served by the corporation.

ket before the strike, the cor- deliveries to poration expects to secure only about 45 per cent of the market in the first few months, and only if performance targets are met will it reach a 50 per cent

level by the end of theyear. Mr Gordon Sambrook, the corporation's commercial manging director, said last night; The labour force must understand that we shall be on a very short honeymoon; the under-

really very good.
"We shall make or mar our position during this reentry period as far as our customers are concerned. If we do not work with a will to satisfy the market, we shall have the

most tremendous task." Preparations were made last night for today's restart. Electric-arc furnaces, which account for about 20 per cent of production, particularly those in the Sheffield area, and which rely on scrap metal, wiil be started up quickly and will be producing steel over the Easter period. But the large blast furnaces at the major integrated plants, which produce the iron for steelmaking, may not be back to normal pro-

duction for at least five weeks. The corporation has sub-stantial stocks of semi-finished Inability to carry through the cutback plan will lead to further closures and redundancian rolling more than 80,000

Top priority will be given to replenishing the diminished stocks of steel stockholders, the largest customer group

quirkly as possible.

As a result of the road
Compared with its 54 per haulage strike and the steel

customers to record levels. A furthe increase in its level of deliveries was forecast yesterday by the National Association of Steel

Stockholders. Mr Robert Scholey, the corporation's chief executive, has briefed divisional managers on the need to ensure that all the plant is restarted carefully and they have been urged to prepare to open discussions on lying level of demand is not local bonus schemes.

Discussions on the planned capacity reductions will continue at national level, but the BSC is anxious that negotiations on job shedding should as far as possible be continued at local level. The most sensitive area is South Wales, where 11,300 jobs are scheduled to be should out to the distributions. phased out at the two main plants at Port Talbot and

Llanwern. As steelworkers return to the corporation work. attempting to calculate the full cost of the strike, which cost an estimated £10m a week on top of the £7m which the BSC was losing before the strike

began on January 2. Sir Charles Villiers, the cor-poration's chairman, has indicated that ESC faces a tough battle in remaining within the cash limit for this year

Six girls lost

Six girls aged between 14 and 16 from Berkshire who had been reported lost overgwesyn, near Llanwrtyd Wells, Wales, were found alice Wales, were found alive and well and brought to safety by helicopter yesterday. They were taking part in a Duke of Edin-burgh Award Scheme initiative

disappoints rail union leaders

By David Felton Labour Staff

The last set of potentially troublesome negotiations of the present pay round opened yesterday with railwaymen being offered a 13 per cent increase, with a possible further 4 per cent for productivity.

Union leaders did not reject the offer, but expressed disappointment that the basic in-crease was not higher. More talks are to be held next week. The negotiations, covering

180,000 railway workers, are expected to be difficult in view of British Rail's financial difficulties and the 13 per cent cash limit imposed by the Government.

BR said that the full 17 per cent offer would cost about £180m, but at next week's talks the unions will undoubtedly expect an improved offer closer to their 20 per cent claim and will also want to clarify the productivity element.

Mr Ray Buckton, general secretary of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen (Aslef), which represents 25,000 engine drivers, said after the offer was made: "This will not be acceptable to my members.

Mr Buckton, Mr Sidney Weighell, general secretary of the dominant National Union of Railwaymen, and Mr Thomas Jenkins, leader of the Transport Salaried Staffs' Association, will be meeting before the resumed talks next Wednesday to work out a common approach to further negotiations.

In its reply to the unions' 20 per cent claim, BR said that it had just managed to live within the external financing limit for 1979-80 of £715m, but only at the expense of carrying forward some items into the

Overtime ban at Heathrow stops 11 flights

British Airways today cancelled 11 flights from Heathrow as 2,000 workers, including the baggage loaders, began a twoweek ban on overtime.

The flights were to Stockholm, Copenhagen, Oslo, Paris, Cologne, Frankfurt, Dusselworf, Brussels, Newcastle, Dublin and Cork, all mainly used by businessmen.

The loaders began their action at midnight on Tuesday in support of a pay claim. They have agreed on a 17 per cent increase with BA, but will not accept it until 29 productivity conditions have been dropped by the management.

They also want the claim backdated to last January
An airline official said last night that delays would be minimal. The pay offer, linked to productivity, was similar to that offered to all other groups of BA staff, most of whom had

Offer of 17% Labour left want wider group to choose lead

Claiming to represent the the party and atthough our to make provision for parliation of the leader will be personal attributes of 70 left-wing Labour to proposal has been rejected by mentary candidates to be blame but to inimviews of 70 left-wing Labour MPs, the Tribune Group yester-day asked the commission of inquiry which is examining the future organization of the Labour Party to reject the

recommendation passed by the Parliamentary Labour Party. that the choice of party leader deputy leader." should remain the prerogative of Labour MPs.

The group, under the chairmanship of Mr Martin Flannery (Sheffield, Hillsborough), published their recommendation that the leader should be elected by an electoral college divided equally between MPs. constituency Labour parties and the trade unions, and other affi-

Hated organizations. They feel that candidates for the leadership should be required to issue personal manifestoes stating what they think about the future strategy of the party, their view on policy, how they would lead the party, and how they would cope with the leadership being made more accountable to the party at

Publishing the group's evidence to the commission, Mr Flannery said at a press con-ference held at the Commons: We think we represent the

proposal has been rejected by mentary candidates to be blame, but to joint the party conference we shall included in the electoral college bility for both the fight on to try to get it

adopted.
"We think it will produce more unity in the party if a wider grouping, and not just the PLP, is responsible for electing the leader and the

Mr Flannery said there was much dissatisfaction about present arrangements. The clash of persinalities and factional struggles could be avoided if the Leader was chosen by a

wider grouping. "There is a constant evolutionary process going on within the party towards more democracy and our proposal is an inevitable development on that process", he said.
"One would have expected

that the example of the European socialist parties would commend itself, for instance to thise on the right wing, all of whom tend to be pro-Europeans. On this issue, however, they do not seem to want to go along the European track. They do not want a wider grouping to elect the leader, a method which most European socialist parties seem able to organize without difficulty."

"but they are powerful and vigorous individuals within their own constituency parties and they could have some say through the constituency party representation ".

The evidence states: "Our overriding consideration is that the party's pursuit of socialist ideals can be enhanced. Even in the short terf, for the immediate attack upon the Tories to be effective, it is vital that the party leadership has the weight of the whole party behind it. . The leadership, by being seen to be more legitimate than it now is, would itself be immensely strengthened.

However, while only one section of the PLP retained the ability to choose the leader those who were denied a say would continue to feel entitled freely to criticize the leader-

"All too often the present method has resulted in genuine policy debates degenerating into personality and factional fights. Greater accountability will demand responsibility. Joint responsibility for the elec-

and failures of that le

Commitment to was not a passing far tool of "extremists" of mainstream Lab posed method of e simple and precise". ment claims. " Memb liament will continue an important voice determination of the therefore to lend the

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Power engineers give delegates their voice on national issues

tect further those interests

From Donald Macintyre

Labour Reporter Llandudno

A strengthening of the moderate voice within the TUC was heralded yesterday when the Electrical Power Engineers' London Association voted to empower delegates to join in debates at congress on "any major national issues".

The EPEA annualconference backed a resolution seeking to gates from constraint which had traditionally prevented them from taking part in political and other debates not directly affecting their members' industrial interests.

The move may encourage other non-aligned white collar unions to play a more vigorous part in attempting to shape TUC policy on a wide variety of gen-eral issues on which they are reluctant to vote or speak at the TUC annual congress.

With no recommendation by the executive, the conference passed with a decisive though not overwhelming majority a resolution calling on delegates to the TUC to be "aware of

Mr Arthur Scargill, president

of the Yorkshire miners, told

MPs yesterday that he was pre-

pared to go to prison rather than be limited by the Employ-

ment Bill when it becomes law.

on Employment at the Com-

mons: "I cannot, in conscience,

agree to abide by the provisions

of the Employment Bill. I will

oppose and urge other trade

mionists to oppose the Bill if

it becomes law in the same way that the trade union movement

opposed the 1971 Industrial Re-lations Act."

"I am quite prepared to

accept the consequences of my principled actions; equally the

supporters of the Employment Bill must accept the conse-

quences of its implementation.

I hope even at this late stage that they will agree to consign it to the dusthin."

He told the Select Committee

By Our Labour Staff

London Western branch emphasized that the new free-dom would still "of course" preclude any affiliation of the union to a political party.

After yesterday's debate Mr John Lyons, the union's general secretary, said: "I think it represents a reaction by essen-

The motion from the union's

tially democratic opinion in the trade union movement against some of the more extreme poli-cies which emerged from some unions at last year's TUC con-Those included a suggestion

from one quarter that the TUC should present itself as an 'alternative government' Mr Lyons said that while he

believed there was a "demo-cratic" majority in the TUC, moderate unions did not necessarily unite, partly because some were affiliated to the Labour Party while others, like the EPEA, were not.

Yesterday's move, he lieved, had been prompted by the association's legitimate in- antagonism not to the main-terests in any major national stream of TUC policy but to

other workers would infringe

a basic human right in our democratic society, he main-

He was closely cuestioned by

Conscryative members of the

committee. Mr John Gorst, MP

for Barnet, Hendon North, asked whether he agreed with

nothing".
Mr Scargill replied that any

publicity attached to his appearance before the committee was due to the members' request that he attend "for whatever reason". He was not

an agitator and as for the last

would let other people judge.
Mr Andrew Bowden, Conservative MP for Brighton, Kemp-

of the assessment he

issues" and for them to "free more extreme views in some to join in any debate to proto join in any debate to prothat the conference should have had such a reaction", he added. Mr Lyons said, however, that the relaxation of constraints would also enable delegates to such as health, social security take a position on social issues and the media.

For yesterday's move become policy it requires formal approval from the Engineers and 'Managers' Associa-

Opponents of yesterday's resolution argued that the move might at worst pave the way to eventual affiliation to a political party and at best be ineffective. Supporters, however, argued that political awareness did not imply alignment and that it would be useless to complain about TUC decisions by which the union might be bound if it had not first expressed a view.

Adopting a neutral position, Mr Eric Busby, for the executive, said the case for the resolution was that it would enable TUC delegates to give "encour-egement and expression to moderate opinion within the

Mr Scargill 'ready for jail' in Bill fight "Legislation which denied a man or woman the right to picket or seek support from gill's views were a "recipe for anarchy and chaos which would

lead to a totalitarian state

Mr Jonathan Aitken, MP for Thanet, East, said Mr Scargill

was adopting the "classic posture of an over-mighty subject " Despite the Conservative comments Mr Scargill defended his opposition to the Bill, the view that he was a "self-publicist, agitator, full of sound and fury and signifying which he contended would produce the most dangerous and potentially explosive industrial

and political modern times. He defended the use of mass picketing but said he did not "accept that workers have the right to use violence or intimi-

dation. I abhor violence".

He added: "The decision to benefit from the family of strikers is another clear demon-stration that the real intention of the Tory bill is to destroy effective trade unionism."

MPs opp Lords' **VAT** rul

Conservat. yesterday reacted s the House of Lords de a VAT tribunal has

appellate jurisdiction The House of L. Lord Salmon dissentia an appeal by the Com of Customs and Excis involving J. H. Corbi matists) Ltd, dealers coins, of Newcastle 1 in which a VAT tri reviewed the com-

substituted its own. Lord Salmon, in h ing opinion, said that the commissioners made mistakes in and they were also lectors. It would seen he said, if in a free: tax collector arbiter of whether ment was right and t payable by the tax left solely to his dist

Lord Salmon consi commissioners had power. He believed in much the same t income tax collecto decisions were never hinding but could appealed against and Special Commissioner Mr Geoffrey Rippor for Hexham and a fo servative Cabinet said: "I agree w Salmon. If the law do: mit the taxpayer to ha in these circumstance: law ought to be chan;

He immediately question to the Char the Exchequer askin consider legislation the taxpayer's statutor appeal to a VAT tr giving such tribunals appellate jurisdiction. Mr Ian Grist, Con MP for Cardiff, North

question to the Chancing whether it is the ment's intention to law on VAT into line Salmon's opinion. " VAT commissione times make a wrong a

Treatment to stop pupils carrying meningitis

The 65 children who have been injected with penicillin after an outbreak of meningitis at Sleaford County Infants' School, Lincolnshire, are to have further antibiotic treatment to ensure that none of them is a carrier of the disease.

Dr Kenneth Jones, district community physician for Lin-colnshire, who has organized the injections, said that the children would be given antibiotic drugs on the advice of Lincoln Public Health Laboratory.

The outbreak of meningococcal meningitis has killed one boy and affected three others from the school who are in hospital. Dr Jones said vesterday they were continuing to make

cases. Now we want to ensure none of the children is a carrier of the disease." The children will be given

Next week the children, who are on Easter holidays, will be given throat swabs. The samples will be tested at the public health laboratory to check that the drug has worked.

Many injured in **Bristol** riot

Police with riot shields and dogs fought running battles with crowds of black youths as night.
Mr Brian Weigh, Avon and
Somerset Chief Constable,
directed his officers as they

drove a crowd of 100 up the City Road. Many arrests were made and many policemen and civilians were injured.
Troubel developed when
nolice officers went to the

Weather forecast and recordings NOON TODAY

Tomorrow

Sun rises: Sun sets:

Moon sets: Moon rises:

8.32 am Lighting up: 8.3 am 11.39 pm Lighting up: 8.30 pm to 5.57 am. High water: London Bridge. 4.52 am, 7.0m; 5.9 pm, 7.1m. Avon-month, 10.14 am, 12.9m; 10.26 pm,

12.7m. Dover, 1.49 am, 6.3m; 2.0 pm. 6.2m. Hull, 9.13 am, 6.9m; 9.22 pm, 6.9m. Liverpool, 2.4 am, 8.9m; 2.14 pm, 8.8m. 1ft=0.3048m. 1m=3.2308ft.

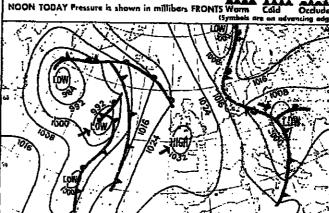
fresh, backing SW, light: max temp 10° to 12°C (50° to 54°F). Channel Islands: Dry, sunny periods; wind NW, light, becom-ing variable. max temp 13°C (55°F).

NW England, Lake District. Iste of Man. SW Scotland, Glasgow, central Highlands, Argyll, N Ireland: Mostly dry, sunny period, rather cloudy at times in alternoon; wind variable, light. max temp 10° to 12°C (50° to 54°F).

Aberdeen, Moray Firth, Orkney, netland : Scattered wintry

Aberdeen, Moray Phrin, Orange, Shetland: Scattered, whitey showers dying out, bright periods; wind NW, fresh or strong, backing SW, light; max temp 8° to 10°C (45° to 50°F).

NE and NW Scotland: Rather cloudy, bright intervals, perhaps a little rain later from W; wind



6.31 am

Moon sets: Bloon rises: 8.4 am 10.36 pm
Last quarter: April 8.
Lighting up: 8.7 pm to 5.59 am.
High water: London Bridge, 4.21
am, 7.0m: 4.38 pm, 7.1m. Avonmouth, 9.48 am, 13.0m; 10.3 pm,
13.0m. Dover, 1.25 am, 6.4m; 1.55
pm, 6.3m. Hull, 8.45 am, 7.1m:
8.51 pm, 7.1m. Liverpool, 1.35 am,
9.0m: 1.45 pm, 8.9m. 9.0m; 1.45 pm, 8.9m.

An area of high pressure is hoving slowly NE into S Britain. Forecasts for 6 am to midnight Loudon, central S and SW England, Midlands, Wales: Dry, sunny periods, patches of mist and frost at first; wind NW, light or moderate, becoming variable, light: may temp 12" to 14°C (54° to 57°F).

SE England, East Anglia:

Central N, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee: Mostly dry, sunny periods, frost in places at first; wind NW, moderate or WEATRER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c. cloud; f, fair;

NW, fresh or strong, b. light; max temp 10°C Sea passages: S No Stratt of Dover, English (E): Wind N to NW, fi (E): Wind N to NW, fi moderate. St George's Channel, I Wind NW, backing SW, π sea slight. Outlook for tomorrow urday: Becoming warms-mostly dry but rain at N Ireland. W and N Sc.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max 7
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7 am, 5°C (41°F); Hur
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and its chemical formula interferes with the weeds normal food production

process. kill them.

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Sprayweeds with Weedol' make Weedol No.1 in weedkillers. Plus, of course, the fact thatitwon tharm the ground.

.It's totally inactivated on contact with the soil so you'll So that instead of nourish-never find it spreading to the ing weeds, light will actually roots of other plants. You will kill only what you spray:

Care for your garden.

By a Staff Reporter

progress. There were no signs that any other children had contracted the disease With the injections we hope we have prevented any further

doses of a drug called risampi-cin, an antibiotic which has been effective against carriers.

a riot broke out in the St. Paul's area of Bristol last

Black and White club, a centre for members of the Jamaican

ation Marks

CAN

If you have about £9,000 or nore to spend on a car, Toyota is propably not the first name that will spring o mind.

You're more likely to think of a car like a Volvo 264, or a BMW 525, or a Mercedes 230.

Not surprisingly, for all three are desirable cars with illustrious names.

But before you make your choice, let us put the arguments for considering the new Toyota Crown. And demonstrate, with facts rather than opinions, that we are not getting ideas above our station.

GOMFORT,

We might describe the plushness Land of the Crown's seats, the spaciousness land quietness of its ride. But these are qualities which only a test drive will reveal.

Instead, we'll mention some of the ways in which the Crown cares for your comfort and its three rivals do not.

The seats have height adjustable headrests which are also adjustable fore and aft in the front. The driver's seat is adjustable for height and lumbar support.

The Crown, in fact, is a very adjustable car, so the small businessman will feel as comfortable as the big City magnate.

And only the Crown has air conditioning and an air purifier as standard equipment. Winter and summer, it keeps the air fresh as a daisy.

And should you, on a long drive, feel that a cool glass of Perrier would not go amiss, there is a cooler-box in the rear window shelf.

EQUIPMENT.

The Crown is, quite simply, far better equipped than any of its three rivals. It is better equipped, indeed, than any other car at its price and many which cost a great deal more.

It has an auto-reverse stereo That, though, w cassette-player with four speakers, and of the £1.25 gallon.

a cassette box in the front console.

It has a self-seeking VHF/MW/LW stereo radio, and an electric aerial.

The electric windows can be opened and closed individually or from the driver's seat. The fuel filler cap, outside mirror and boot lid are all remote control.

There's a digital quartz clock, and all four seats have separate reading lamps.

The new Toyota Crown gives an overall 24.2 mpg. which is better than the Volvo, BMW and Mercedes.

It has electronic fuel injection, which uses petrol more efficiently, and responds more quickly, than a conventional carburettor.

And its automatic gearbox has overdrive, which you can select manually and reduces petrol consumption when you are cruising.

SAFETY.

To protect you and your family in an accident, the Crown has a rigid steel passenger cell and crumple zones front and rear.

It has central door locking and inertia reel seat belts.

To prevent you getting into an accident, it has power-assisted brakes, four quartz-halogen headlamps and a rear fog warning lamp.

It has warning lights for the handbrake, brake fluid level and rear lights. The windows are tinted, to reduce glare.

RELIABILITY.

At this stage of the argument, we will let others speak for us.

According to the German equivalent of the MOT, a Toyota is the most reliable caraftertwo years on the road.

According to an independent British consumer survey, Toyotas suffer from fewer faults than any other make of car. And, in the unlikely event of your needing them, spare parts are easy to get and repair costs are low.

A luxury car, after all, should be more than a comfortable place to sit in while you wait for the AA to arrive.

THE FINAL ARGUMENT.

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A glance at the picture below will show that the new Crown will not look out of place outside the most elegant of houses.

Certainly, its new lines do not give away the most surprising fact of all:

The Toyota Crown costs £8,500. £400 less than the Volvo, nearly £500 less than the Mercedes, nearly £800 less than the BMW.

Not, we suspect, that you'd be influenced by a question of mere money. Any more than you'd be influenced by a famous name.

TOYOTA

Everything keeps going right.

THE COMPELLING ARGUNENTS FOR BUYING A TOYOTA. RATHER THAN A VOLVO, BIMW OR INERCEDES.

You can control the radio and air conditioning from the front seat if you are driving, or from the rear seat if your chauffeur is driving.

All three of our rivals offer you great comfort. Only the Crown offers you such luxury.

ECONOMY.

There was a time when economy would have had no place in an advertisement for a luxury car.

That, though, was before the days

PERFORMANCE.

Here, you might not expect us to come first. But you would be wrong.

The Crown's 2.8 litre engine takes it from 0 to 60 mph in 11.1 seconds, which is 0.6 seconds faster than the BMW 525 Automatic. *

Its power steering is speed-sensitive. The lower your speed, the more assistance it gives you. So the Crown is as easy to manoeuvre in Threadneedle Street as on the M1.



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n Super Saloon C8,500.32. Price includes Car Paix, VAT and seal belts, but excludes road tay, number places and delivery charges. Price correct at time of going to press.*What Car Official Govt, fuel consumption figures for Urban Cycle 18.5 mpg (15.3 litres per 100 km), Constant 56 mph-30.0 mpg (19.4 litres per 100 km), Constant 55 mph-30.0 mpg (19.4 litres per 100 km), Constant 75 mph, 24.1 mpg (11.7 litres per 100 km), Constant 65 mph-30.0 mpg (19.4 litres per 100 km), Constant 65 mph-30.0 mpg (19.4 litres per 100 km), Constant 75 mph, 24.1 mpg (11.7 litres per 100 km), Constant 75 mph, Constant 75 mph, 24.1 mpg (11.7 litres per 100 km), Constant 75 mph, Constant 75 mph, 24.1 mpg (11.7 litres per 100 km), Constant 75 mph, 24.1 mpg (11

Main research groups urge plan for new industry to exploit genetics and microbiology

A new type of science-based company, backed by the National Enterprise Board with f2m a year over the next five years, is recommended by the main organizations advising the Government on research and development.

The proopsal is to exploit discoveries in genetic engineering and microbiology as the foundation of an industry manufacturing a novel range of pharmaceuticals and

The plan is contained in a port called Biotechnology, published yesterday, of a joint working party of the Advisory Council for Applied Research and Development, the Advisory Board for the Research Coun-cils, and the Royal Society.

More than fifty eminent Industrial, academic and govcroment scientists in Britain have endorsed its conclusions. The report also recommends that the research councils spend a minimum of £3m a year on that field of work. Dr Alfred Spinks, FRS, chairman of the working party, suggests that can be achieved by a realloca-tion of priorities among the research councils, rather than

asking for extra money
But more money will be
required in the university field, iwth a provision of, say, £2m capital from the University Grants Committee to ensure adequate long-term laboratory facilities. Moreover, a minimum of 20 new combined teaching and research posts over the next five years is needed to provide the necessary man-

Dr J. M. Ashworth, chief

Review Staff ("Think tank"), said at a press conference yesterday that a shortage of experienced people was more of an immedite limitation than money in bringing the new advances in biology to a successful

industrial application. The proposal for a research-oriented biotechnology company is a direct response to the recent creation in the United States and Europe of sciencebased firms specializing in genetic engineering and microbiological processes.

But the Government working party says a shortage of ven-ture capital and high interest rates are hampering support for innovation in the United Kingdom compared with some ex-

port competitors.

Professor Brian Hartley, FRS, perhap, the most senior of the research workers in the field in Britain, suggests that the venture has to focus on those substances of wide interest for medicine and for transforming chemical manufacturing pro-

The production of interferon as a broad-spectrum antiviral drug and potential therapy for certain cancers is high on the

Another larger group of naturally occurring agents, monoclonal antibodies and immunoglobulins, are regarded as equally important because of the opportunity they give for novel methods of vaccine pro-

Immunoglobulins prepared by conventional methods are of low potency and are scarce, as indeed are the quantities of interferon that can be extracted from white blood cells of donors. A method of preparing specific antibodies by cell

fusion by Dr Cesar Milstein, FRS, of the Laboratory of Molecular Biology of the Medi-cal Research Council, has hr cal Research Council, hos potentially revolutionized work in that field, but the process

needs further development. The structure of public and private support for research and development is said to be not well suited to the develop-ment of a subject like biotechnology in Britain.

The topic straddles the divisions of responsibility both among government departments and research councils, and the arbitrarily defined fields of fundamental and applied research. What is required is a policy of "technology-push" to come from committed strategic research, which will be con-verted progressively into a "market-puil" as the products and processes of biotechnology

emerge. The first recommendation is for the research councils to in-crease their support for biotechnology, and that they should collaborate on projects and should request a higher indus-trial interest among applica-tions for grants from universi-

The complete charter for biotechnology produced by the working party has 24 recom-mendations, including a stern address to various ministries that within their grasp are the fate of new medicines, systems for drug testing, novel sources of animal feedstuffs and vetering. ary agents, processes for materials recovery and effluent treatment, less energy-intensive manufacturing operations

other advances.

Bigger investment, page 22

Protest on prisoners held in police cells

A total of 130 sentenced prisoners had to spend one or two days in police cells in the first three months of this year because of industrial action by prison officers or overcrowding at Wormwood Scrubs, London, the Home Office says.

Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk, the Labour MP for Ormskirk, who had asked Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, for the figures, said yesterday that they were "absolutely appalling".

He was given them in a parliamentary written reply. Mr Kilroy-Silk, who is chairman of the parliamentary allparty penal affairs committee, said the figures were another indication of the serious over-crowding in Britain's prisons. The population was now more than 44,000.

The figures also showed that the prison service was being run by prison officers, not the Home Office, and imposed an unacceptable burden on the police force.

"It is totally inappropriate to be asking the police to do this kind of job, for which they are not properly trained or equipmed and do not have the time."

Mr Kilroy-Silk said that he intended to ask Mr Whitelaw what action he proposed taking.

War on field mice

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Our world is currently facing more

real crises than at any time since

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A campaign to protect sugar beet against field mice has been started by the Ministry of Agri-culture. It is estimated that they eat a quarter of the seed



Sir Peter Gadsden, Lord Mayor of London, holding up his lamp at the start of a visit to the sewers of Blackfriars, London, yesterday.

Artists dismayed by peripheral status

By Our Arts Reporter Serious concern that the arts were not regarded by the Gov-ernment as part of the future "core curriculum" for schools was expressed at a conference of professional artists and edu-cators that ended at Cambridge

yesterday.

Sir Roy Shaw, secretary general of the Arts Council, which convened the conference,

the peripheral status accorded to the arts in A Framework for the School Curriculum, a paper issued by the Department of Education and Science in December.

Sir Roy called it "a lament-able document resounding with stale plautudes". Its main theme was that schools should be responsive to national needs, but that was taken to mean endorsed delegates' dismay at mainly preparation for work.

concerned with preparation for life, and that is no less a national need. Life is more than livelihood."

structive suggestions to the DES and the Minister for the

£30,000 aid for youth law centre

By Robin Young Consumer Affairs

Correspondent
The Nuffield Foundation has

the new centre will deal par-ticularly with cases involving criminal matters, the use of

we hope, make the police a lot more careful in the use of their powers under the 'sus' laws."

Last October the urban aid committee of the Labour-controlled Brent Borough Council refused assistance to the project after press publicity had suggested that the law centre might be used by young people aggrieved at punishment meted aggrieved at punishment meted out by their school teachers, and that it would threaten to

was confident that the an-nouncement of the Nuffield grant would make it much easier to raise the remaining £20,000 a year required.

It was a discussion document and he hoped everyone con-cerned with school education and the arts would send con-structive suggestions to the

The Nuffield Foundation has promised a grant of £30,000 over three years to help to finance Britain's first law centre catering exclusively for children and young people in trouble with the law.

The Kids' Own Law Centre is to be established in Kensal Rise, in the southern part of the London Borough of Brept, an area with high juvenile

an area with high juvenile delinquency figures, many young people in care and high unemployment concentrated among black school-leavers.

The inimative in setting up the centre is being taken by the Brent Community Law Centre. Workers there say that at present young neonle are

at present young people are only a tiny proportion of their clients, and that often they seek help too late.

Mr Clive Grace, of the Brent tentre, says it is honey that

riminal matters, the use of the laws relating to arrest on suspicion ("sus"), child care cases, and the law on young people's employment.

"We would aim to offer young people advice about all their legal rights, and would keep an open door so that they could walk in whatever their could walk in whatever their problem.

"The possibility of a quick and effective response would, we hope, make the police a lot

undermine family life in the Asian community by advising young girls that they were not bound to submit to arranged

marriages.

"We would explain to young people who came to us with these sorts of difficulties what their legal position is, and seek to help them if we could". Mr Grace said yesterday. "But we do not expect such cases to predominate,

The application to Brent council for financial help is to be renewed, and further aid is being sought from other charities. Mr Grace said the group was confident that the an-

as MPs fall out o animal B By George Clark

Political Corresponden
Angry exchanges to between supporters: nents of the Protectio mals (Scientific Purp during the first sitting of the standing commi ining it in detail. The chairman ... Mr Leadbitter, Labour MF lepeol, had to call for tell the MPs that their

was contrary to the t standard of debate. Tempers flared after Fry, Conservative MP ingborough, the main s the Bill, said that o

objects was to prohibit sary experiments.
One he did not wa cated in Britain was the of the front paws of a see how it behaved. Mr Tam Dalyell, La for West Lothian a cr. Bill, demanded more tion : where had such ;

ment been conducted, and when?

"I do not like anyor off the paws of rab' said. "But I want to the where and wh before the next sittin committee I will write other side of the stor convincing, naturally o admit it. But we facts."

Standing immediate site Mr Fry, Mr Da manded the informa Fry made no response "There! That is the Mr Dalyell said. "M lucky, he gets a high the list of MPs who c duce a private memb a chance that many of

have given our ears to ... He has had month preparation of the Bill certain matters of fact is still wanting on fact Mr Stephen Ross, Lil for the Isle of Wight, d. aggressively whether M approved of the "dogs" cancer research ment which received m licity about two years

"That has now stopped", Mr Ross said is what the sponsors of want to stop. There is a support in this country. the law up to date : Dalvell has supported t in the past. Instead of trying to

the Bill on every stup thing, can be not be mo ful and get on? Mr Dalvell said he w. see something done abo

cer research.

"Then don't be headed about it", Mr Re There is a limit." After the chairman vened. Mr Dalyell said 1 way for the promoters gress on the Bill would

produce evidence for

assertions.
Mr Fry promised to 1 a usi of sary and cruel experthat he wanted stopped the committee meets as March 16.

Labour MP se suspension of Debendox

Complaints about the w Committee on the Safe Medicines cleared Deb-the morning sickness drugsent yesterday to Dr (
Vaughan, Minister of Sta
Health, and the Parliam
Commissioner (Ombudsmi Mr Jack Ashley, Labour M Stoke-on-Trent, South.

Mr Ashley is calling for drug to be suspended further evidence is considered the said the committee shave looked at all the evidence is considered. produced when an Ame mother sued Richardson rell, the manufacturers, her son was born deforme He said: "I am astou that the committee sl reach a conclusion before

evidence. "The committee found there was no scientific evid to show that Debendox congenital abnormalities. ' understand it did not re all the evidence under the Freedom of Information A

"The evidence press
there convinced the jury
the drug did cause malfo
tion. The CSM should 1
again when it has a full script of the trial. Until it

apportioning production c should be revised. "We trust that this ma will be dealt with urgent

it says.

The committee welcome Home Office assurance that Government proposes to it tute a code of practice clarify the way the levy sho be administered; and recomends that provision should incorporated in the legislat

TV companies 'may seek sales before productions

By a Staff Reporter

Commercial television companies may increasingly seek overseas sales before commit-ting themselves to producing important series of programmes, a Commons committee says to-

day. The Committee of Public Accounts says, in its fifth report, that it could be argued that profits for levy purposes were being artificially reduced.

The Independent Broadcasting Authority excluded income from the sales of programmes overseas from a contartor's total income, but made no cor-responding reduction in the total expenditure for an appropriate part of the initial production costs. From that the committee draws the conclusion about the

artificial reduction of profits, and expresses approval of the

authority's agreement to review the accounting treatment to as-certain whether the rules for

mends that provision should incorporated in the legislat being prepared.

The levy is collected by IBA on behalf of the Government and is based on the creamies' profits; since its int duction in 1964 it has provid about £440m for the Excheque. The IBA said it would stream the report. "We want to what precisely they are say about accounting procedure. A code of practice could

A code of practice could helpful in the application statutory requirements and clarifying the basis on will clarifying the basis on will the authority should operatit said.

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Correspondent

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he aircraft, weapons Varsaw Pact's advan-numbers and steady ent in quality."

Concern over rising costs and manning difficulties are apparent throughout the White Paper, the longest and most explicit since the last war.

Its background is, as always, the continuing growth of Warsaw Pact forces beyond what is needed for their own defence, and the implications for the West. "We have no reason to believe that the present Soviet leaders are deliberatly planning

"But should war ever break out they intend to win, and meanwhile they can use Soviet military power to impress, influence or threaten less powerful nations to adopt policies which suit the Soviet

The Russian invasion of Aignanistan "shows our op-ponents have both the power to make new territorial and stra-tegic gains and the nerve to uses that power "

The defence of the United Kingdom is a key component in Nato's plans. In war it would provide a forward base for operations in the Atlantic, a main base for operations in the Channel and the North Sea and a rear base for operations on the Continent.

Yet over the past twenty years the effort devoted to the uir defence of Britain has been "sharply reduced" and it should be improved.

The White Paper says, on the need for low-flying training over Britain "the inconvenience and risk must be set against the general balance of our Forces' relations with the community".

On the premature voluntary discharge of men from the Forces in 1977 and 1978, it says "it will take many years to replace them, however many new recruits are enlisted ", be-cause of the skills that were

Recruiting was good in 1979-80, with an expected total in-take of 49,000. However, there were shortages in some grades and specializations. The recruit-ing effort would deal selectively with particular shortages.

Recruiting will become more difficult from 1982 because of fewer young men entering the 16 to 19 age range. The Services need to recruit about \$1 per cent of the men in that range, but by the late 1980s that will rise to 11' per cent.

More use is to be made of women in the services. It is planned to employ the Women's Royal Naval Service in a wider range of jobs; and the Army has authorized a further 570 posts to be filled by the Women's Royal Army Corps and proposes to increase its overall size by a quarter.

"If, however, we are to be able to make the fullest use of women in the Services we must reconsider and perhaps revise our traditional attitude to allow-ing them to bear arms."

can be no question of members of the nomen's Services engaging in combat or being armed for any duties other than in exercises, emergency or war.

"Within this general limitation, however, we are considering how far it would be desir-able to go. If arming women with personal weapons at all is acceptable, questions which must be resolved include whether it should be limited, as in some countries, to selfdefence or whether, as in others, it might be extended to a base defence role."

Defence sales in 1980-81 are expected to amount to about £1.200m. The Royal Ordnance factories suffered a setback last year with the cancellation of an Iranian order for 1,200 tanks. Eut the White Paper says that

materialize, the factory at Leeds should be able to maintain its tank-building capacity for the British Army.

The White Paper refers to videspread dissatisfaction at the five royal dockyards over pay, leading to industrial disputes, a loss of mannower and "a serious loss of output". A report on the matter is expec-

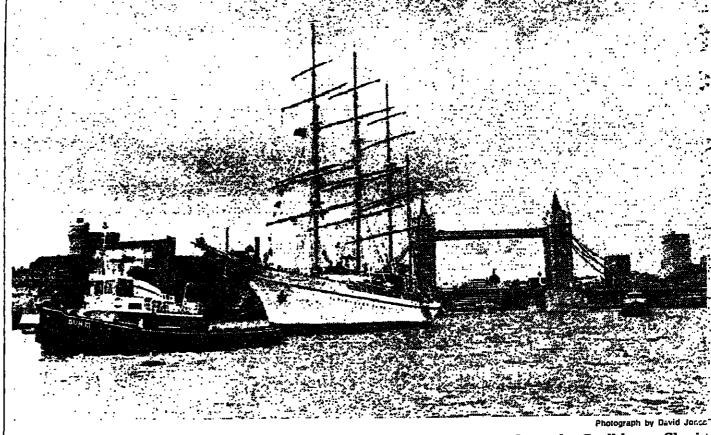
Equipment accounts for 41 per cent of the defence budget, the same as in 1979-80. Improved defences against chemical attack and a new armour-piercing round for the Army's tanks are among the procure-ment items detailed. But the White Paper refers only briefly to impending decisions on a replacement for Polaris in the 1990s as Britain's next strategic deterrent, and to the Army's plans for a new tank.

Defence procurement, it says is a vast and long-term under-taking. The largest projects may cost well over £1,000m The Government, it says, be-lieves that for the present there to develop and five years to

> For the first time it illustrates some of the costs of equipment. They are: nuclear-powered fleet submarine, £140m; type-42 guided-missile destroyer, £85m; scabed operations vessel, £80m; Puma helicopter, £1.5m; Tornado strike aircraft, £10m; Milan antitank missile, £7,000; 155mm illuminating shell, £450.

Projects include: Sting Ray lightweight torpedo, £920m; Sea Eagle air-to-surface missile ment programme), Rapier auti-aircraft (improvement pro-£320m: new sonar (improvement £350m ; missile gramme). equipment for ships and submarines, £170m.

Dejence in the 1980s, Statemen on the Defence Estimates (vols 1 and 2, Cd 7826, Stationery Office, £4.50 and £4)



The 353-foot barque Sea Cloud berthed in London yesterday fresh in from the Caribbean. She is to set sail for Hamburg on the first tide tomorrow and can be chartered for £35,000 a week.

Home Office rebuked over police costs

By Peter Evans

Home Affairs Correspondent The Home Office was re-buked yesterday by the Public Accounts Committee for failing to control police spending equipment for police. The properly. A report by the committee says: "We expect the in the cost per officer as "subdepartment to make more effections." tive use of the methods available to them to safeguard the legitimate interests of the Exchequer."

The committee also expects the Home Office to assert its proper responsibility to entaken to change police authority alone was about £45m

practices where such changes could achieve better value

Concern is expressed about that the variations should be variations between forces in expenditure on stores and office said studies would be equipment for police. The unlikely to increase efficiency.

In general, the Home Secretary pays grants to the 43 police authorities in England and Wales to cover half their net relevant expenditure as certified by district auditors. In 1976-77 government assistance sure that all possible steps are towards purchase of equipment But the Public Accounts Com-

mittee says the chief inspector of the local government audit service appeared to reinforce the view that statistical analyses could show where economies might be possible. Fifth Report from the Committee of Public Accounts, Procurement

of Police Emilpment, House of Commons Paper 445 (Stationery Office, £2.25).

Teacher jailed on spirits charge

John Arthur Bryan, aged 29. a schoolmaster, who was said to have received bottles of spirits stolen by a pupil aged 15, was jailed at Leeds Magistrates Court yesterday for three months Mr Bryan, of Wood-hall Avenue Leeds, pleaded guilty to receiving eight bottles, of stolen spirits.

Mr Donald Adams, for the prosecution, said that 12 pupils at the school where Mr Bryan was a teacher had been dealt with for stealing and handling wines and spirits

C controller says corporation got its sums wrong on inflation

One suggestion was that both the BBC's Scottish orchestras

should be scrapped and a 50-

piece concert orchestra set up instead. That, they were told, was rejected by the Scottish

musical and financial grounds.

Another proposal, which Mr Ramsay said was shelved when

the licence fee came up for

renewal was to increase the

symphony orchestra from 69 to

79 players, abolish the Radio Orchestra and provide a sexter

for light music.

ittee of MPs yester-Mr Ian Trethowan, neral of the BBC, ith one of his conwhether any future BC spending would pmittee on Scottish

taking evidence C management team proposed cuts in oadcasting and the nt of the Scottish Orchestra.

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to be specific as to where the cuts may or may not fall." amount of that channel's exposure to the Scottish Sym-Mr Ramsay, replied: "I was phony Orchestra. careful to use the word 'under-standing'; it is my belief that I would be able to make that

Pressed to confirm that BBC management had long wanted to get rid of the orchestra, and understanding stick. It is not a guarantee." the cuts presented the oppor-tunity, Mr Ramsay said the orchestra performed a function for Scotland as a whole but the decision was taken on The committee had heard of several schemes that had been proposed in connexion with music in Scotland, and was told by Mr Ramsay what Radio 3 thought of the Welsh and financial and not musical

grounds. Mr Roger Young, chairman of the Broadcasting Council for Scotland, said he was still waiting for someone to suggest that there was a penny piece of finance to help to save the orchestra.

The responsibility for maintaining all the things th symphony orchestra supported was no longer one that the broadcasting shoulder.

Earlier Mr Trethowan told the committee that if the inflation rate did not fall, more cuts would have to be made, unless the Home Office agreed to some alleviation of the situation, including a licence fee

Mr Ramsay said it was "an inhaupy fact" that the Welsh and Scottish symphony orchestras were not considered by Radio 3 to be quite as good as the Northern and London orchestras; there had been a wish by Radio 3 to reduce the The BBC was negotiating with the Home Office for a four-year agreement on the licence fee system. It was provwish by Radio 3 to reduce the ing difficult to agree about.

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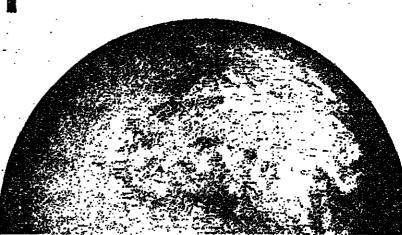
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e 'survival 's' urged

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140 mph British motor cycle to challenge Japanese

By Peter Waymark Motoring Correspondent The first important new

British motor cycle to appear since the late 1960s was demonsince the late 1300s was strated yesterday by Lord Hesket!: It is a 1,000cc, twin-wlinder "superbike" with a cylinder "superbike" with claimed top speed of 140mph. The machine was designed and developed by an engineer-ing team at Lord Hesketh's country home at Easton Neston,

Towcester. Northamptonshire, and uses British components in 90 per cent of its construction. The project has so far cost £500,000. Limited output will begin at Easton Neston in the summer, but Lord Hesketh is trying to

interest a British engineering company in producing the machine in sufficient numbers to compete with Japanese and European motor cycles.

"There is a lot of spare capa-

city in the engineering indus-try, and we have had talks with try, and we have had talks with several companies about producing the bike. There is a big demand for this type of machine, with sales rising by 60 per cent a year ". Lord Hesketh said yesterday.

He was looking for an annual output of 1,000, and he expected the machine to cost between

the machine to cost between £3,000 and £3,500, which would make it competitive with BMW. Harley-Davidson and the Japanese high-performance machines.

"We hope that time will prove us to have made a classic high-performance which will help Britain's name as a producer ri quality motor cycles", he said. Lord Hesketh, who is 29, is best known as a motor racing enrhusiast and in the early 1970s he ran a Formula One term, with Mr James Hunt as

Captain whose ship hit gas terminal jetty fined

From Our Correspondent

Fines totalling £180, with costs of £377, were imposed by Rochford magistrates, Essex. yesterday on the master of a coaster which rammed a jetty at the methane gas terminal on

Canvey Island last April. Mr Edward Marchant, chairnan, told Captain Udo Blank: By hirting the soft underbelly of Canvey, a very serious and dangerous situation might have

Captain Blank, aged 41, of ussex Drive, Walderslade, Sussex Drive, Chatham, Kent, was found Chatham, Kent, was found guilty of navigating the 389-ton Panamanian registered Sea Ems in a manner likely to endanger the gas terminal jetty or other Thamesside structures near by, and careless naviga-

ting. He admitted proceeding too far up river on automatic pilot instead of under manual steering in accordance with Port of London general directions. A

further summons for failing to be on the bridge or ensuring the presence of a competent

officer was dismissed. Mr John Ker-Reid, prosecu-ting for the Port of London Authority, said that the coaster hit the jetty after steaming full ahead towards the termina without slowing down or chang-ing course. Sparks flew on

Captain Blank had claimed afterwards that an electrical fault had jammed the autopilor while the first mate was on the bridge. He had been below, but went to the bridge and found the mate in a state of shock and lying dazed on wheelhouse floor.

Mr Ker-Reid said: "Nothing war ker-keid said: Nothing was done to avert a collision with a highly dangerous installation. Navigation of this sort will not be tolerated in view of this dangerous situation and all the implications involved. The community must be proBy Annabel Ferriman Health Services Correspondent

A married man with two children will be more than £3 a week worse off in sickness pay under the new strategy proposed by the Government, de-tails of which were published in a Green Paper yesterday.

The plan makes employers benefit for the first eight weeks of a worker's sick leave in any year, and suggests that the rate be set at £30 a week at today's

f wer government jobs will be reded because employers will Five the administrative burden as working out the stick pay. They will be compensated by once-for-all reduction in natinnal insurance contributions.

The Government is proposing that there should be only one rate, which employers should he obliged to pay during periods of sickness. That would be more than the single person's sick-pass entitlement (now £18.50) but less than the amount now paid for those with children (539.95 plus £1.70 for each

The Green Paper says: "Inlose relative to single workers ". For workers earning less than 130 a week it is suggested that the employer should pay three cuarters of their wages. "To require an employer to pay full wages during sickness would

Education Correspondent

Mrs Angela Rumbold, chair-men of the Council of Local

Education Authorities (CLEA),

ettempted yesterday to calm the

storm over the negotiations on conditions of service for

The authorities proposals

were designed only to describe

what teachers do, not to increase their work load, she

The proposals included assur-

ances for teachers to achieve a fair distribution foducies, and

safeguardse in the form of maxi-

mum yearly and weekly hours

Discussions on a new contrac-tual definition of teachers' rights, duties and responsi-bilities had bee ntaking place over the past year in a joint

working party and substantial progress had been made, she said.

requested an early meetino gf the joint committee responsible

for negotiating conditions of service other than pay to review

the working party's progress

and to consider a timetable for

The National Union

Teachers has come out strongly against the Government's pro-

posals for a national framework for the curriculum in schools.

In a pamphlet published today the union urges Mr Mark

Carlisle, QC, the Secretary of State for Education and Science, and Mr Nicholas Edwards, the Secretary of State

for Wales, to end their attempt to establish such a framework.

curriculum should satisfy national needs is misconceived.

Who is to define national needs? Every government has its own idea of what the prevailing national needs are. The

school curriculum would have

to be reorganized every few years to suit the ideology of the day", it says.

Welsh students

sprayed cans

at TV station

From Our Correspondent

"The idea that the school

When the working party met

last week, the unions refused were more even to discuss a "draft interim direction.

NUT opposes a national

Predictably, the union argues Young, Minister of State it that it is the teachers, by vir-

Thatcher aid for museum sought

Mrs Margaret Thatcher has been asked to help Britain's only helicopter collection to survive by cutting through Ministry of Defence red mpe which they say is hampering the reopening of the British Rotorcraft Museum at Wes-

curriculum framework

completing negotiations.

CLEA had formally

what teache sor diocort

said in a statement.

of work.

Move to calm storm

on teachers' hours

pay. Employees who have their sick pay from the state topped up to their usual earnings level by their employers are better contributions.

Comments are invited by September 1. off sick than well because their state benefit is not taxed.

The paper points out that when the present national in-surance scheme was introduced it was rare for anyone to be responsible for paying sickness paid by his employer for a period during which he was

"The situation in 1980 is very different. Up-to-date figures are not available, but we know that as long as six years ago some 80 per cent of full-time employees were within the coverage of occupational sick-pay schemes.

"Nearly half of the people covered were eligible to receive full pay reduced by national insurance entitlement, or in some cases ful pay on top of national insurance benefit", it

Evidence sugests that if anything the situation has im-proved for employees, yet the Department of Health and Social Security is processing 10 million claims a year, 90 per cent of which are for six weeks or less, it says.

Government therefore The thought it right to review the role of state sickness benefit. The amount paid out in flat rate benefit is £375m a year and the estimated cost to employers of the new scheme is £415m.

leave no financial incentive for a low earner to return to work", it says.

The aim is to save on administrative costs and to tax sick of the leave to provide strative costs and to tax sick of the leave to provide sick pay for married women

agreement" presented by the local authorities.

Discussions continued, how-

ever, on the authorities draft proposals on service. Those

include a maximum of 271 hours

a week of teaching, a maximum of 7! hours of other duties, such as mid-day supervision, and a minimum of 2! hours during

school for marking and prepar-

It was also proposed that teachers work up to a maxi-mum of 205 days a year to allow

for in-service training outside term time. The present mini-mum school teaching year is

mum school teaching year is 190 days. Actual negoriations on the

minimmu and maximum hours

have not yet begun.

The National Association of Schwolmasters and Union of Women Teachers, the second

refused to take part in the talks on conditions of service

and described the proposals as

Other workers were reduc-ing their working week, increas-ing their holidays and increas-

ing their pay, but teachers were moving in the opposite

experience of pupils, who are

in the best position to know what are the needs of children. The concept of "national

The concept of "national needs" was of little value to

teachers, whose responsibility
was to individual children with

different educational emo-tional and social needs.

The union is particularly cra-tical of the proposals for mini-

num and maximum periods of time for "key elements in the curriculum". The subjects men-tioned were already taught in most schools, it says.

All teachers were concerned

that children should, be taught

basic subjects. Where such subjects were not taught, it was normally because of a lack of

resources, not because teachers

were unaware of their import-

be sending its views to Lady Young, Minister of State for

The union says that it will

The union said: "They may

teachers'

union, has

ing lessons.

tember 30 next, and the Government hopes to introduce the scheme by 1982.

Negotiations are to be held with the British Medical Association about sickness certificates. Doctors have to issue them free for those claiming state benefit, but they charge if the certificate is for an em-

Miss Ruth Lister, director of the Child Poverty Action Group, said the plan discriminated against families with chil-

It would put a considerable administrative burden on small employers, and to make employers pay only a proportion of the wages of those earning less than £30 a week would pro-duce real hardship.

The British Medical Associa-

The British Medical Associa-tion found the proposal quite unacceptable. "It will take away the patient's right to de-cide whether to reveal the con-fidential information in his national insurance certificate to his employer and will under-mine the confidential doctor-nations relationship." patient relationship."

patient relationship."
Dr Tony Keable-Elliott, chairman of the General Medical Services Committee, said the paper laid down that employers should be supplied with a statement about the patient's increasing. That was a confident ment about the patients in capacity. That was a confiden-tial matter and doctors would not disclose it. Income During Initial Sickness: A New Strategy (Command 7864, Stationery Office, £2).

Churchmen plan

From Tim Jones

A dispute about the nature of Holy Communion is threatening to mar a celebration to commorate the sixtieth anniversary of the disestablishment of the Church of Wales.

ceses in the principality com-pleted their plans to fill the national stadium in Cardiff with thousands of worshippers, some ministers and their flocks were planning to boycott the

each diocese to take the sacrament. Th rest will be asked to join in spiritual communion. Some churchgoers have claimed that is neither Anglican nor Catholic because it denies those eligible the blessing of the full

gain more contractual hours out out a letter of explanation to their congregations. In it he says: "Please forgive those who have made errors of judgof teachers, but they will lose an inestimable amount of effort ment but be assured that the bishops are as sorry as anyone

You do not need a very long memory to recall how non-communion attendance at the Eucharist was common with Roman Catholics and in some of our churches.

communion may have fallen from favour, but I believe it has not lost its value. Suitable private prayers will be included in the programme to assist people during the Communion." Bishop Poole Hughes makes clear that the bishops were influenced in arriving at their decisions by considerations of

cession to see what is going on, who have no idea of what the Sacrament is, and we have been told by the Jehovah's Witnesses that they were troubled by pick-

Bishop Poole Hughes said limited communion at nuptial Mass was still practised in some

it became clear to him, after he attended the last rugyb inter-national at the stadium, that Holy Communion for all would-have been imposible in the time planned for the celebration. "People who are able will take Communion before attend-

boycott

Cardiff

As bishops from the six dio-

The controversy has arisen because of a decision to allow only 50 communicants from

The Bishop of Llandaff, the Right Rev John Poole Hughes, has asked his ministers to read that general Communion is not practicable.

"The principle of spiritual

of the national stadium.

"Another aspect is the likelihood of groups of youngesters attaching themselves to the propockets on similar occasions."

The communicants wil be chosen by lot to avoid any suspicion of merit or suspicion favouritism.

places.
The Bishop of Monmouth, the Right Rev Derrick Childs, said in gibe celebration and others will join in spiritual com-munion", he said.

Police station sergeant says there were

mutual face-saving formula is being urgently sought. Cardinal O Flaich, who is to have one more visit with Mr Atkins over the H block issue, is publicly saying nothing about his private ideas. Unlike his controversial outburst when he visited the Maze lest July, he is now picking his words cautiously. Special category status is no longer granted. Previously it was given for terrorist offences

Karen and Heather Annabel, from Australia, at the Natural History

Irish church leaders join effort to

Museum's family centre, open free of charge until April 19

end 'dirty' protests in prison

From Christopher Thomas

leaders in Ireland are making

intensive efforts to bring the degrading "dirty protest" by

republican prisoners in Ulster

Cardinal Tomas O Fiaich, Catholic Primate of Ireland,

went to Stormont on Tuesday for a two-hour lunch with Mr

Humphrey Atkins, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, who

last week approved minor con-

It was their second meeting in a month. The Bishop of

Derry and Raphoe, Dr Edward Daly, was also present. Mr

Daly, was also present. Mr O Finish put forward a formula

for defusing the bizarre pro-test, in which prisoners smear excreta on cell walls and drape themselves in blankets rather

The demonstration began in support of special category

status but there are indications that it would end if there were

concessions on doing prison

work and the wearing of prison

clothing, without conferring special status formally.

The Northern Ireland Office has until now refused to yield

even slightly to the protest;

the new concessions on prison visits, letters and physical exercise announced last week are the first shift of ground in

two years but have been con-

temptuously rejected by the prisoners in the Maze near Belfast.

court action yesterday to over-turn his wife's will, in which the bulk of her £130,000 estate

The will had been drawn up on behalf of Miss Olave St Barbe by order of the Court of Protection, which manages

the affairs of people of mental

It was in the same terms as a will made earlier by Miss St Barbe which was automatically

revoked when she married. But

for the intervention of the Court of Protection, Mr Davey, who lives in Richmond upon

Thames, would have taken the largest part of the £130,000 under an intestacy.

Mr Justice Fox upheld the

ourr's order. He said the circumstances of the apparently cladestine register office marriage of Miss St Barbe and Mr Davey, aged 48, were suspicious. Her family were not told and the marriage came to light only when a colicitate sent a marriage

when a solicitor sent a marriage

Fairey Engineering has won orders worth £10m for its medium girder bridge. The

buyers come from North and South America, Africa and the Middle and Far East.

£10m bridge contract

was left to her family.

disability.

than wear prison clothes.

cessions to the protesters.

Catholic church

Belfast

was given for terrorist offences committed before March, 1976, regardless of when the con-Meanwhile the police in the Irish Republic yesterday seized one of the biggest arms hauls ever when they raided a farm near Drogheda, co Louth and discovered a bunker hidden under a heap of manure in a cowshed. A large force of police, backed by armed troops.

descended on the isolated farm early in the morning, led by Assistant Garda Commissioner Toseph Ainsworth. The shed contained more than 50 blast bombs, primed and fitted with timing delays varying from 12 hours to a week; 21 rifles, some of Soviet manufacture; three large sacks of assorted attituding; two home-made mortars; fuses, detonators and a range of other

equipment. The farm was empty, but the police were searching for a Drogheda man last night.

the scenes suggests that a tarian murder. Three men were believed to have been involved in the shooting. Mr Robert Carr, aged 21, of Newry, to Down, who was taken to a Dublin hospiral with serious burns after an explosion

at the customs post at Newry 10 days ago, died yesterday. In Northern Ireland more than 20,000 people yesterday joined a series of rallies in Belfast and other centres in protest against the Government's economic policies. The demonstrations were organized

by the Northern Ireland committee of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions. Fire bomb: School children watched a blazing soldier roll-ing in the street after a car bomb explosion in Crossmaglen,

south Armagh, yesterday (the Press Association reports). A bomb in a parked car was detonated by remote control as the soldier drove past in an armoured vehicles, sending a fireball through his open win-

The soldier was taken by helicopter to Belfast and was seriously ill with severe burns. Withdrawal policy: A Labour committee on Ireland has been formed in an attempt to push the party leadership into adopting a policy favouring political and military withdrawal from Northern Ireland. The commit-Orogheda man last night. tee has the support of only A man in his early twenties three Labour MPs, but said it was shot dead by gunmen in intended to start at grass roots west Berlin last night in what level before attempting to gain intended to start at grass roots

Safety guide for offshore workers

Kielland disaster.

independence open in London

A Manx government delega-tion was in London vesterday for the opening of a series of talks with officials in Whitehall on securing an increased measure of independence from Britain for the Isle of Man. Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, gave approval earlier this year for talks to be held under the chairmanship of Lord Beistead, under-secretary of state at the Home Office. They are expected to continue for some months.

Sir Charles Kerruish, leader of the Manx delegation, who is Speaker of the House of Keys, said: "We have much to dis-cuss. The Isle of Man has fallen well behind the progress being made by other Crown dependencies and colonies to wards a satisfactory measure

get a reduction in the Eritish government's absolute power

By Nicholas Timmins Guidance on safety standards for workers in the offshore construction industry were published yesterday by the Health and Safety Executive in the wake of the Alexander L.

The executive emphasized that the publication had no direct connexion with the disaster, which claimed 123 lives. Work on the guidance, which specifies work practices, living conditions and provisions of lifeboats and lifejackets, was begun in September, 1978, and it meets one of the provisions of the Burgoyne report on offshore safety, published last month.

The guidance does not carry the force of law, sets out standards of good practice that can be demanded by inspectors from the petroleum engineering division of the Department of Energy in enforcing the Health and Safety at Work Act.

Five British yards, Hunter-ston, Loch Kishorn, Ardersier, Nigg and Methil, are involved in platform construction, the later stages of which include offshore work.

The working pary decided that in view of the amount of work in hand, and the relatively short duration expected for offshore construction work, t was better to produce guidance quickly than t wait at least a year for regulation that could be overtaken by technology.
Although offshore installa-tions came within the Health

and Saftey at Work Act late in 1977. little formal guidance on standards has been available. Yesterday's publication is based on similar regulations governing construction work on land modified for work at sea. The need for guidance is

increased as the rising price of oil is making economic finds that were previously considered marginal. The guidance covers training, fire, the use of haza-dous substances, work in confined spaces, noise, vibration and the risk of falls.

Selling fuel stamps.

The fuel industries are nego-tiating with the National Federation of Sub-Postmasters for the sale of fuel saving stamps through sub-post offices, Mr Norman Lamont, Parliamentary Under Secretary for Energy, said yesterday.

WEST EUROPE

Paris decides to use "it non-union labour to clean filthy Métro

Paris, April 2 For reasons of health and safety the Paris Transport Authority (RAIP) intends to hire "blacklegs" to sweep up some of the fillth accumulated below ground over the past 10 days while the regular cleaners have been on strike.

The Metro is normally kept clean by 900 workers, supplied under contract to the authority to sweep the 45 miles of corridors and 20 miles of platforms. On Merch 24 they struck for a pay rise of £50 a month to bring them above the minimum basic wage. Since then the 4.72 million passengers who use the system every day have, not un-

naturally, been creating a con-siderable mess. Tickets, cigarette ends, chewing gum, newspapers, plastic cups and bottles are underfoot almost everywhere. The tramps who habitually find shelter in the warmin of the stations have to clear rubbish from the seats before they can lie down. The cleaners last went on

strike in 1977 and in the end won a few concessions. The obstinacy with which they seem determined to bold out shows how strongly they feel they are being exploited. Most of the cleaners are immigrants and the 12 companies which employ monetary. In Londo them are accused by their the year round? So union representatives of exploiting the fact that they are could change that

Most of the cleaning be done with brush and At night, when the transit running, the crews go down on the tracks; up cigarette butts at

rubbish by hand. Other "injustices" ward by the unions are that the cleaners do RATP workers, receive to get to work and allowed into wash-roo kitchens except to cle Conditions and wa such that only the po migrants are prepared work. Their resentmen dispute stems from a b they are the victims of omically contribed rac

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Theatre sources

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La Scala dress standari create a deafening silen

Milan, April 2.-Musicians that the monthly clot have made the tirst moves in ance of 3,000 lire is the so-called "war of the tail 30,000 lire to meet ri coats" by silencing La Scala opera house here in a new blow to bel canto in Italy. to bel canto in Italy.

The opera house orchestra simply failed to show up for a performance of Verdi's

performance of Verdi's Requiem Mass. There was a standing-room only audience. "Nothing like this has ever happened before in any of the many cities where I've sung", Signor Luciano Pavarotti, the

For weeks the musicians have been saying they need more money for the evening clothes demanded by the La Scala management in order to "con-form to the tradition of impeccability and smartness of the

theatre " Last month they wore blue jeans and shirtsleeves for a performance of Tosca, but the performance went on.

But it was last night when 2,500 spectators waited in vain in the church of St Stephen. There were another 8,000 people in four other locations, including La Scala linked by closed circuit television.

A tape of Verdi's work was piped in but it did little to cool tembers. The orchestra's 128 members, who received an average monthly salary of 600,000 lire

(about £300) are demanding -AP

the orchestra's condu justified" and "anti But no immediate was in sight. The ti forced to cancel tor gramme of works by Bartok and Schoenb

Youth set grim record for West Germany

Bonn, April 2.—West German youth is turning to sects, drugs, alcohol or even suicide to escape from a society that is "empty and meaningless", a Bonn politician charged today.

Herr Günther Verbeugen, the general secretary of the Free Democratic Party, said West Germany now has 65,000 young drug addicts and 150,000 mem-bers of various sects appealing to youth. In addition, more than 600 people died of heroin overdoses last year, the most per capita heroin deaths in the world, and about 500 children

"West Germany holds a few world records of which it can-not be exactly proud," he said. One reason for youth's "flight into a dream world" was, he said, because parents provided a wealthy background

and these materialistic values were not enough.—UPT.

Police clain success ove Italian kidn

Rome, Apil 2.—Po arrested seven peop to be members of kidnapping gang wan nexion with at l abductions.
Police said it was

success in their fig Italy's kidnapping g they arrested Six p months ago who we to be among the abdu Schild family in Sard The seven, aged and 33, are suspected organized the initial four abductions he victims were hande other gangs in Calab ern Italy.
Police believe th

Ercole Bianchi, a Ro dealer who was kid December, was amor pects' victims. Signis one of 86 people been kidnapped on som demands in I January, 1979.—Reut

Portugal eases taxes a increases budget defici From JoseS hercliff Lisbon, April 2

Tax reductions and an in-

crease in the public's purchasing power were announced today, on the fourth anniversary of the democratic constitu- modities including tion of the Poruguese Republic, whose 312 articles were approved by Parliament on April 2, 1976.

The only party that voted

The only party that voted tion, housing, nation then against the constitution and social welfare.

When the Democratico which is now allied with the Social Democrats in the Government. Government.

Dr Anibal Cavaco Silva. the Minister of Finance, told a press conference today that this lower th edevalution year's budget would show a deficit of 141,200,000 escudos gal were revalued. (£1,283,636). This is a 16.7 per cent increase on the 1979 deficit.

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the escudo. And I Silva said today Government now 1 lower th edevalution based on the averag gold over the last six 979 and would not market. Leading article, p

15 hurt in Eight

at concert Frankfurt, April 2.-The arrest of an American soldier during a concert by the British rock group The Who set off a series of fights that left 14 people and a West German week because of a ' policeman injured.

Swed th worker: face lockout Stockholm, April 2

deadlock in pay ne the Swedish Employ federation announces one-week lockout o workers from Thursd

Timothy Webb, aed 22, and Tomos Owen, aged 19, both students at University College, Aberystwyth, pleaded guilty to causing more than \$2,000 of damage to seven cars at the HTV West studios in Bristol.

Mr John Foley, for the prose-cution, said Mr Webb and Mr Owen sprayed the cars with slogans such as "HTV plus Tories regals conspiracy", and said they hoped to persuade the television company and the Government that there ought to be a separate Welsh language station. language station.

Afr Webb, of Heolffor, Aberystwyth, was given a 12-month sentetice suspendid for a year and Mf.-Owen, of Talsarw. Lampeter. Dafted, received six months, suspended for six months.

no marks on James Kelly's body From David Nicholson-Lord

Lenguage Society made a dawn raid on a television studio and sprayed cars with paint and jammed their locks with superglue, Mr Justice Bristow was told at Bristol Crown Court yesterday. Kelly's body.

He said that when Mr Kelly, who died in police custody, was him", he said.

Mr Kelly was carried in face up and handcuffed, by several officers. "He was laid on the charge office floor and he appeared semi-conscious. He

Road, Huyton, for being drunk and disorderly.

Sergeant Waddell continued: He added: "I saw a small I was told he had been fight mark which appeared to be

taken into the police station he make sure there was no was handled very carefully. obstruction. Sergeant Waddell "The only time he was ever said he ordered Mr Kelly's moved was just to try to revive handcuffs to be removed and PC Brophy began artificial respiration.

In reply to Mr Ronald Lloyd, the coroner, Sergeant Waddell said: "He had been drinking. He smelled strongly of ale." was flushed but not making any movement. He seemed to be gasping for breath."

Evans told him that he had arrested Mr Kelly in Barkhack

arrested Mr Kelly in Barkbeth no marks on the body. He did Road, Huyton, for being drunk not see a sizable mark on Mr

Kelly's forehead.

was on duty at the police ing with everyone, including old." He thought it was a graze station where James Kelly was some passers by as well. He or a scrape on the forehead taken on the night he died, said at the inquest yesterday that there were no marks on Mr Kelly's body.

"I was told he had been fight mark which appeared to be old." He thought it was a graze or a scrape on the forehead suddenly seemed to turn blue, several days old. and did not then went bright blue and record it.

Sergeant Waddell said many Kelly's body.

stopped breathing."

PC Paul Brophy turned him violent prisoners who assautted the police were charged only geant checked his mouth to make sure there was no orderly. Mr George Carman, obstruction. Sergeant Waddell QC, for the Police Federation and four individual officers, "For weeks and months now, the words 'cover-up' have been alleged on behalf of people in this case. "Those two officers, Con-stable Evans and Constable

Frederick Browning, when the man obviously became ill and subsequently died, did they make any attempt to you as a station sergeant to influence or cover up. or submerge, or dis-guise what had happened?" Sergeant Waddell replied: "None at all, sir."

Male nurse fails to get court to overturn will

Mr Wallace Davey, a male nurse, who married a spinster aged 93 in what Mr Justice Fox described as suspicious who had met Miss St Barbe last June when she entered the nursing home in Fitzjames Avenue, West Kensington, where he worked, is entitled to apply to the courts for reasonable provision from her estate. On December 20 the Court of Protection ordered tehe execu-tion of a statutory will under the Mental Health Act, 1959.

Miss St Barbe died seven days later and an open verdict was recorded at the inquest. The judge said Mr Davey, who asked for the discharge of thee order for tehe statutory will, complained that the order for the execution of a will should not have been made without notice being given to him. But the absence of notice had been fair and reasonable in

view of the urgency
The deputy master of the Court of Protection had taken account of Miss St Barbe's sae and health. He thought that if she died before the will was made it would no longer be possible to challenge the validity of

Manx talks on

From Our Correspondent Douglas, Isle of Man

of autonomy".
One of the island's aims is to

to veto Manx legislamon through the Royal Assent and to reduce further the political role played by British-appointed lieutenant governors of island in Manx affairs.

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thout any court conanti-social and The original purpose. was to justify their sies are also demand-

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range of Yugoslav industrial Nato jets grounded

Brussels, April 2.—A squad-on of Belgian Air Force jet fighters has been withdrawn from a Nato exercise in September because the Government says it cannot afford the fuel A Nato official said today that Belgium recently informed its allies that the 18 Mirage jets will not take part in the

annual mobile force exercise

Belgium's military officials
said they need an additional
\$50m (£28m) this year for
fuel. If the money is not forthcoming military operational activities will be cut and all Air Force aircraft will I grounded from September 1

o becomes favourite ble for Spaniards

pril 2 erun lottery, for 169 cording to Finance estimates published

al figures show that spent £1,080m on year, compared on on the weekly 1978, the first full ich bingo was author-verage Spaniard over 14 spent £21 in the 524 bingo halls. In the pools pools

pools, although ttract much less than bingo. Last year the t on pools was £232m. lottery for the blind Im and the newly-1 casinos £49m. inia notwithstanding,

y lottery remains the source of

pays in prizes 70 per cent of what it takes in. The other 30 Spaniards' favourite per cent—which amounted to is been displaced by about £300m last year—goes to the State. Bingo, according to current legislation, pays out 75 per cent in prizes, with 10 per cent going to the operators of the halls and 15 per cent going to the State. Last year the State got £161m.

The 17 casinos in Spain have not attracted many foreign tourists. Only seven per cent of

last year's players were foreigners, the casino-owners' association said.

Casinos, which pay from 15 to 50 per cent of their gross profit to the State, depending on the amount of the profit, poured £16m into the Treasury in 1979. Since none has been open more than two years, and open more than two years, and most for less than a year, it is too soon to make comparisons with other types of gambling.

iners squabble over r elevated railway in the world before the Second World War, has been operated by the Deutsche Reichsbahn in all of Berlin by decree of the four occupying powers since the end of the war. The operating permit obliges the company to provide a satisfactory service. However, the S-Bahn is by now in a deplorable state, its stations and its rolling stock are rundown.

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that the summer time-vides for a considertion in the number of as running in West mother is that—after seed of 90 employees is year—a further 200 is year—a further Zoo ple can expect notice. itz Giersch, the secre-he Berlin branch of German Railwaymen's yesterday demanded Western Allies should he Soviet authorities at that the operating taken away from the man Deutsche Reichs-

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April 2.-West will agree to a th ya suspected guer-the be given kidney if he returns from and gives himself up. prosecutor said here

Raabe, aged 28, who Ireland a year ago, is to have carried out a tack two years ago and formed a "Red Army cell-Reuter.

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April 2.—The Red today claimed res today claimed res-ity for shooting four the legs at a Chris-

Briton released in Bologna

able state, its stations and its rolling stock are rundown.

The number of passengers carried dropped to an all time low in West Berlin after East Germany built the Wall dividing the city in 1961. Eventually, however, West Berliners began

however. West Berliners began to use it again but on a limited

Germany has frequently de-manded subsidies from the West

Berlin Senate. The requests have been rejected. This reject

tion was used as an excuse by the East Germany company earlier this year for the dis-missal of employees.

in taking over the S-Bahn in West Berlin. In any case this is a matter that would have to be decided by the Allies.

West Berlin is not

Apart from raising fares East

Bologna, April 2.—Mark Holron, a 22-year-old Hull Uni-versity student who has been reaching in a high school here, was released unday after a week in Jail on suspicion of taking part in robberies, kidnappings and illegal possession of arms.
Mr. Holton, who comes from Marchester, was detained on March 26 during an anti-terrorist sweep along with two other Britons who are still in

Patients abandoned

prison.—Reuter.

Rome, April 2.—Half a million Italian hospital workers and 80,000 doctors went on strike today, leaving hospital patients without food and medical care except in urgent cases.

EEC gives Yugoslavia | Papandreou wider access to its markets and aid

Belgrade, April 2

Yugoslavia and the EEC forged closer links today by signing a wide-ranging agreement which is to help Yugoslav exports to the Community and provide financial aid and other measures to overcome the country's growing trade deficit with the Nine.

At the signing ceremony, Signor Atillio Ruffini, the Foreign Minister of Italy, the current president of the EEC Council of Ministers, expressed sympathy with President Tito's illness.

prompted the Community to bring to a conclusion negotiations which have been dragging on for two years.

The agreement, which was initiated in February, confirms the interest of the Nine in reinforcing Yugoslavia's independence and non-alignment. It also reflects West European concern over the future of Yugoslavia without President Tito when the Soviet Union is expected to increase pressure, especially on the country's

есопошу. -The agreement, which has to be ratified, runs initially for five years and provides free access to the Nine for a whole

goods as well as improving the prospects for agriculture ex-

This is expected within five years to reduce by two thirds the Yugoslav trade deficit with the EEC which amounted to 11,500 million last year, accounting for more than half of Yugoslavia's total trade deficit.

The agreement improves the status of Yugoslav migrant workers giving them full social security benefits within the EEC. It also envisages joint ventures in third markets as well as cooperation and longterm economic projects.

The Community has thus recognized the importance of sintaining Yugoslavia's stability after the Tito era and strengthening its independence from Moscow.

Yugoslavia is at present attending a meeting in Moscow of Comecon, the East European economic organization. Yugoslavia holds observer status in the grouping taking part only in some cooperative ventures.

The Soviet Union is one of Yugoslavia's principal trading Partners and important export market but difficulties have arisen as negotiations for a new trade agreement were interrupted last month.

Yugoslavia depends heavily Soviet coking coal and a third of its oil requirements are imported from the Soviet Union. A hitch that has developed over oil and gas imports makes it doubtful if Russia will continue deliveries next year.

plan for referendum on Nine

From Mario Modiano Athens, April 2
Western European leaders are increasingly disturbed by the prospect that if the

Opposition came to power in Greece it would see kto pull the country out of the EEC, of which Greece becomes a full member next January 1. Mr Andreas Papandreou, the leader of the Paphellenic Socialist Movement (Pasok), the

main opposition party, in an interview published today relterated that when his party came to power it would hold a referendum so that the Greek people could say whether they wanted to stay in the Community.

Mme Simone Veil, the President of the European Parliament, who met Mr Papandreou during her five-day visit to Greece rold a press conference:
"If the result of the references are result of the references are result of the references."

"If the result of the referendum is ngative, it would certainly produce a problem for the Community."

Prsok, as well as the pro-Moscow Greek Communist Party, are opposed to Greek membership of the EEC. Together the two parties control mor than one-third of the 300 eats in the Greek Parthe 300 eats in the Greek Parliament. Mr Papandreou who has jus

returned from Western Germany where he had talks with the Social Democrats, assured Mme Veil that his party would take an active part in the work of the European Parliament. This had given rise to hopes that Pasok was tempering its



Pedal power in strike-bound New York as people cycle to work through Times Square.

Jog-to-work New York expects worse

New York, April 2.-New were expected to increase to-New York, April 4.— Item day.

Yorkers have coped with the day.

There was almost a carnyal first 24 hours of an almost total public transport strike with few apparent ill effects, except to thousands apparent in effects, except to thousands walked, jogged, feet unaccustomed to long distance walking.

Treffic applicant fairly and even roller-skated in bright sunshine

tance walking.

Traffic problems, fairly minor yesterday because Jewish observance of the Passover kept many people away from work.

roller-skated in bright sunshine across the bridges into Manhattan.

No new wage negotiations were scheduled between the

atmosphere during vesterday's morning rush hour as tens of thousands walked, jogged,

transport workers' union, representing about 33,000 bus and subway workers and the Metro-politan Transportation Auth-

ority.

City and state authorities took steps to seek a court order to get the strikers back to work under New York State's Taylor Law, which, theoretically, bans strikes by public employees.

Poisoner's threat fails to shut store

From Ivor Davis Los Angeles, April 2

A bizarre extortionist who calls. himself a member of "the Poison Gang" is now demanding 100 uncut diamonds in exchange for a list of groceries he says have been laced with. cyanide, police disclosed today, So far employees at Safeway stores in San Diego have found cyanide in a bottle of sauce and a jar of pickles after receiving a call from the ex-

Over the weekend, a large jar of pickles was found to contain 1,400 milligrams of cyanide. Doctors consider 250 milligrams lethal. The bottle of poisoned sauce was found after a store employee received a warping telephone call. The note which police found with the pickles read: "There-

are five other food items loaded with cyanide that are now on the shelves of this store. If you comply with our demands we will give you a list and exact locations of these food items. Otherwise, we will poison the food in every Safeway store in the area.

The note, signed "the Poison." Gang ", demanded 50 diamonds one carat or larger of good quality" in return for the list. quality" in return for the list.
Since the poisoned groceries
were found, the store, which
closed for one day only, has
reopened and trebled its security force. Shoppers have been
offered refunds on any item
and several hundred have taken advantage of the offer.

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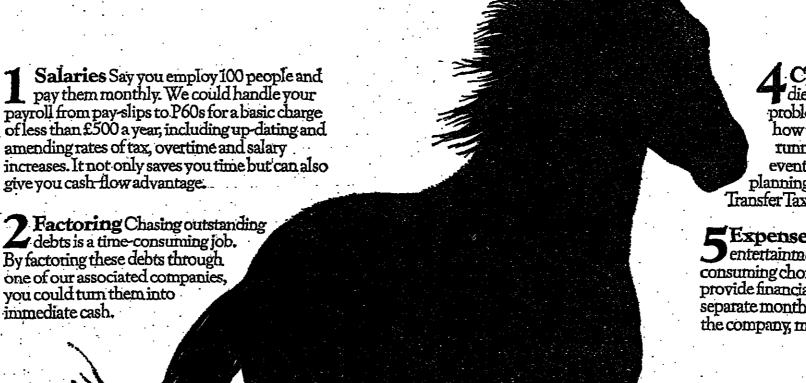
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At the sign of the Black Horse



Peking, April 2.—Two days up hig character posters, and before the Qing Ming festival this led to the birth of the of the dead, a symbol of political activism, the authorities warned in veiled terms against in the "spirit of April 5" 1976. any attempt by the human rights and democracy move-

ments to make a reappearance. The Quangming daily today published a long commentary castigating the activities of the new silenced movement, parti-cularly the writing of big character posters.

Wall posters are one of the four vital rights guaranteed by the Chinese constitution, the ethers being the rights to "speak out freely, air their views fully (and) hold great

The newspaper said it was "absolutely indispensable" to abolish these four rights, some-thing the regime has already announced its intention of doing, on the ground that they were "no longer necessary" and even "harmful".

The commentary, published so close to the Qing Ming festival was clearly aimed at forestalling any last twitches of the popular political excitement experienced at Qing Ming over the last four years, observers

In 1976, before the death of Chairman Mao, Qing Ming was marked on April 5 by rioting in Peking and incidents in several other cities.

In most cases the demonstrators were protesting against the intervention by security forces against people paying homage to the memory of Chou En-lai, the popular Prime Liu Qing—from jail.

Minister, who had died four months earlier. The incidents were described by Mao's successors as "heroic and that the party leaders said that the party leaders said cessors as revolutionary".

However, last year's Qing Ming was celebrated against the background of an official clamp-down on dissidents and a ban on putting up big character posters in Peking's

Tiananmen Square.
Since the beginning of this year, Chinese leaders, includ-ing Mr Deng Xiaoping, the Deputy Prime Minister, have made it quite clear that they would not tolerate dissent in

The only demonstration now allowed in Tiananmen Square are ceremonies held by school children and members of the young pioneers organization, for dead leaders.

For the past few days there has been a steady stream of processions to the foot of the Monument of the Heroes of the People in the centre of the square, where the children lay wreaths and bouquets of paper

Meanwhile, Peking's only surviving opposition magazine, the April Fifth Forum, has stepped publication because of "indirect warnings" from the authorities.

Mr Xu Wenli, the chief editor and his 17 staff members told foreign journalists who visited them at Mr Xu's small flat yesterday that they hoped the demise of the mime-ographed handwritten magazine on political affairs would help to free one of its editors-Mr

that the party leaders said could hamper the political In the two following years stability they say is needed for political activists marked the China's modernization.—Agence Qing Ming festival by putting France-Presse and UPI.

Prince Sihanouk ready to return to Kampuchea

return to Kampuchea under the pro-Vietnamese Heng Samrus regime in Phnom Penh, while refusing to recognize the " Vietnamese protectorate * over his country.

He once more turned down any possibility of cooperating with the Khmer Rouge com-munists supported by the Chinese. He added that he had not received any offer to return to Kampuchea from the Phnom Penh Government.

The Prince emphasized that he would return to Kampuchea only if "the majority" of his supporters favoured it and he would not play any political role but limit himself to using his influence in Western countries in seeking aid for Kam-

Prince Sihanouk who has just ended a four-month journey round the world, said that his lan for the neutralization of Kampuchea received "no concrete support ".

The United States State Department had advised him to concentrate on "the humani-tarian aspect" of the campuchean question, rather than on political issues.

He told a press conference: "I am completely powerless, I am in a dilemma. I have given up the idea of armed struggle. I do not want to take part in the massacres of the last Kampuchean survivors".

Since his arrival in Peking American Monday he has met Mr. Ji try to Pengfei, Deputy Prime Minister, and Mr. Han Nianlong, a Presse.

Peking, April 2.—Prince Deputy Foreign Minister. He Norodom Sihanouk, Kampuchean head of state, said here that he was ready to Peking over the Khmer Rouge. "It is immoral to support the Khmer Rouge", Prince Sihanouk said. He added, however, that China's use of them was "understandable" as it

> expansionism" in South-East Referring to recent state-ments by Mr Khieu Samphau, the Khmer Rouge leader, and Mr Eieng Sary, his Foreign Minister that the Khmer Rouge had not committed massacres

wanted to "contain Vietnamese

when in power in Kampuchea, Prince Sibanouk said they were "liars". He affirmed that he would not have talks on a possible alliance with the Khmer Rouge either in Peking or in Pyongyang where he is to arrive on Sunday.

Prince Sihanouk said that lesser danger to the security of the Kampuchean population than the Khmer Rouge", and quoted foreign reports that the Heng Samrin regime had managed to "stabilize and normalize" living conditions in

Kampuchea. He predicted that more and more countries, beginning with India and France, would come to recognize the pro-Vietnamese Phnom Penh regime. He knew that France was studying the setting up of practical relations

In the United States he had gained the impression that the Americans would "inevitably" try to normalize relations with Vietnam. — Agence France-

Joy Adamson 'killed with farm implement? From Our Correspondent

Nairobi, April 2 Mrs Joy Adamson, the naturalist and authoress of Born Free, was murdered with a simi (a two-edged farming implement like a sword), and an iron bar, a police witness said today at a preliminary m-quiry at Nyeri, 80 miles from quiry at Nairobi.

A magistrate is conducting the inquiry into a charge that Paul Nakwaro Ekai, aged 23, a former employe of Mrs Adam-son, murdered her.

The police witness said that Mr Ekai led him to a manyatta (encampment) and showed him the simi after being arrested.

In a control the three time to build up their own army Newly - trained Ugandan troops have taken over garrison duties at several centres

Tanzanians begin withdrawal from Uganda

From Our Correspondent Nairobi, April 2 The withdrawal of 10,000 Tanzanian troops, half the force which has been in Uganda since the overthrow of President Amin a year ago, has begun and is expected to take two or three weeks.

Mr Rashidi Kawawa, the Tanzanian Defence Minister, said in Dar es Salaam that the withdrawal was taking place as planned, but Ugandan Government leaders say they would have liked more time to build

Israel hits back at Egyptian declaration

From Christopher Walker Jerusalem, April 2

An angry public exchange between Israe land Egypt over the status o feast Jerusalem has soured the atmosphere for the forthcoming series of meetings on Middle East peace which are due to begin next week when President Sadat flies to Washington.

In a statement issued today the Israeli Foreign Ministry bixterly denounced a unanim-ous resolution passed yesterday by the Egyptian Parliament in Cairo declaring that annexed east Jerusalem was an integral of the occupied West Bank which should serve as the head-quarters for the proposed Palestinian autonomy council.

The incident emphasizes the

size of the gap which still exists between the Israeli and Egyptian positions on essential elements of the autonomy negotiations, and the formida-ble nature of the diplomatic task facing President Carter in his separate talks with Presi-dent Sadat and Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister.

There were suggestions in Israeli Government circles tonight that the 120 members of the Knesset may be recalled from their Passover recess to answer the Egyptian Parlia-ment's resolution, which also condemned Israel's settlement

An attempt to draft a joint condemnation of the Egyptian stand by the Government and the opposition Labour Party was also reported to be under

There were strong indications tonight that the controversial Egyptian resolution has further stiffened Mr Begin's resolve to refuse to bow to American or Egyptian pressure during the Washington talks, particularly over the Jerusalem issue. In another bad omen for the Washington meeting two of Israel's most extreme right-wing politicians have announced that they are flying to the American capital as part of a "Truth Squad" which will follow Mr Begin throughout his stay and try to ensure that he makes no The two politicians are Miss

Geula Cohen and Mr Moshe Shamir, the two Knesset repre-sentatives of the recently formed Tehiya ("Rennais-sance") Party which is demanding an immediate end to the peace process with Egypt. Their visit is being financed

by American supporters and is designed to mobilize the power-American Jewish lobby against any pressure that might be put on Israel by President

Carter.
Miss Cohen said: "We will explain that the peace process is falled with time bombs for Israel and that it should be ended. Because of the way international opinion seems to be moving our view is that an Israel confrontation with the United States and possibly with the rest of the world over the

Israeli concern at Jews given refuge in US

From Our Correspondent Tel Aviv, April 2 Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, today objected to the United States Government's regarding Jews leaving the Soviet Union with

visas for Israel as political refuzees. Tens of thousands of Jews have left Russia with permits to join families in Israel and then diverted to the United States. More than 70 per cent of the Jews leaving Russia have been dropping out in Vienna, the first stop in the West. The largest number went to the United States.

Mr Arych Dulzin, the chair-man of the World Zionist Executive responsible for immigration to Israel, today asked Mr Begin to take up the matter with President Carter when they meet in Washington later this month. He argued that it was an affront to Israel that a Jew with a visa for Israel, who was entitled to automatic citizenship on arrival, should be considered a refugee. Mr Begin said the United States law on refugees was "noble and humanitarian" but it should not apply to Jews with Israeli visas. He wished, however, to consult Cabinet colleagues before deciding whether to take up the matter with President Carter.

Baathists contemptuous of Lebanese authority

Syrian gunmen conduct a violent interlude to Beirut lunchtime

From Robert Risk,

Beirut, April 2 It was a typical kunchtime in Hamra Street. Smartly-dressed gentlemen with worry beads juggling in their hands walked disconsolately past the clothes shops while their temporarily abandoned girlfriends—sophis-ticated ladies in dark tights wearing last year's Paris fashions—idled over coffee in the express restaurant, a steel edifice that passes for the ulti-mate in Lebanese chic.

Few p copie bothered to glance at the khaki-dressed gunmen standing in the street outside the headquarters of the "Special Forces" at the west end of Hamra Street. Even my taxi driver steered past them without comment. Only the money-dealers in their little steel-fronted booths—sure weather vanes of violence in this brash, recumbent citywatched with any degree of apprehension.

They had got it right, of course. Just one street away and quite without warning, two bearded men in camouflage tunics came running round the corner of Rue Baalbek. They

and fired a swarm of bullets into the afternoon sky.

Dozens of iron shutters rattled down as west Beirut's shopkeepers closed their preises. One middle-aged man, a seller of doubtful antiquities, argued about closing until a of a small black pistol under his nose.

The gummen were members of "Forsan", part of the mili-tary intelligence section of the Syrian Basth Party. They occupy a run-down office in Hamra Street, comprise Lebanese as well as Syrian recruits, and fall under the commend of none other than Colonel Rifast Assad, the brother of the Syrian President, In fairness, it has to be said that they did not kill anyone today.

They were angry, it transpired, because a Kurdish member of their organization had allegedly been kidnapped. There seemed to be some suspicion that he might have been arrested by the police and when members of Lebanon's Squad 16, the country's riot police,

wagon, the Syrians fired shots at them: They missed but it did

tives of Syria's Baath Party, which espouses the cause of hav and order in Beirut, should have confronted Lebanon's law en-forcement agencies, but that fact reached its apothesis in Jean d'Arc Street when a Syrian in an army steel helmet pointed a rocket launcher at three Lebanese traffic policemen.

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over. The shops were reopening

held rifles above their heads turned up in a white station not stop them closing down the commercial life of West Beirur

It is monic that representa-

across tehe road at me and shrugged. With his two frightened colleagues he retreated down the street. The guarant responsible for that scene then told those of us watching that Yet an hour later; it was all

the traffic police whistled vainly at the taxis and the unemiling young ladies resumed their interrupted coffee at the Express There was not one armed hill-

billy to be seen.

Fresh demands by Ir puzzle Washington

Prom Our Own Correspondent Washington, April 2

foreign policy advisers were today mulling over an Iranian demand for new reassurances from Washington before the American hostages are trans-ferred to the custody of the Franian Government.

President Bani-Sadr told Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General, late yesterday that he was still waitng for a statement of the Administration's intentions. He

seemed to want President Carter to promise not to take any further hostile or provocative actions against his country in the foreseeable future. The Administration had assumed that yesterday's de-

cision by President Carter to defer introduction of new economic and diplomatic sanctions was a sufficiently conciliatory gesture to convince the Iranian authorities of his good intentions. The postponement followed indications that the Iranians were about to arrange the transfer of the hostages.

A White House official has told reporters that the administration wants to be as co-operative as it can, since it understands the delicate politi-

cal situation in Iran. B Vashington, April 2 official said, there President Carter and his obvious limits to how president or any presid go". He also said it v completely clear exactl new assurances the I were seeking.

Elaborating, State ment and White House men said later that the stration was trying to the position of Iranian Washington has been re conflicting signals. ourselves at some los

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Carter messages: So Tehran said President sent a new message i dent night.

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day to intercept the lan Ambassador's car. then opened fire with guns. The diplomat wa a bulletproof vest bu his chauffeur were it Mr White, stating hi for the Junta yester responsibility for the in which 30 people we and hundreds wounde Romero's funeral on rested with left-wing of the "Revolutionar nation of the Masses

Mr White said on about 15,000 people gathered in the square for the funera Yesterday, member left-wing Revolutionar Army seized sever stations here for hall broadcast

to the junta Washington reports said that the House sentatives had \$5.7m (about £2.6m) i aid and \$50m in econc tance to bolster the ji The United States E

cultural centre was in masked youths arm automatic weapons. Th nated three bombs, minor damage and ne

Meanwhile, two Dut sion reporters were slightly wounded by who they said wore sembling those worn National Guard. —

Senator Kennedy must win in Pennsylvania

airport, Louisiana, where he is expected to be an easy victor on Saturday in the Republican camp.

The Reagan bandwagon rolls on: After his success in Wisconsin and Kansas Mr Reagan shakes hands at Lafayette

Mr Anderson hinted again last night that he might abandon the Republican Party and go it alone. If he wants to get on the ballot in all the states he might conceivably win, he will have to take the plunge

Senator Kennedy never really hoped to win in Wisconsin partly because of compenition from Mr Brown and Mr Anderson, partly because Wisconsin, despite its liberal image, is really a very conservative state. He only campaigned here on Sunday and Monday and had little or no organization. He did well in Milwaukee, as expected, but that was not

Arrest reported

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worker in Kiev

Moscow, April 2.-Mrs Olga

Matusevich, a member of the "Helsinki" human rights moni-

toring group in Kiev, has been

against the Soviet Union.
In another report, dissidents said that Mr Mikhail Solovov,

a Moscow mechanical engineer

belonging to a "free trade

Continued from page 1 enough to counter the lack of confidence felt for him among to go.

One of the television net works interviewed people as they left the polling station and found that over half the Democrats they questioned had a "high trust" for President Carter's handling of economic and foreign policies.

Only a third had a "high trust" of Senator Kennedy in these matters.

This is almost exactly the opposite of the same network's

findings after the New York primary a week ago. The President's supporters hope that the New York and Connecticut defeats were the nadir of his campaign and an exception to the general rule that people still trust the President more

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they trust Senator Kennedy, The next primary is in Louisiana on Saturday and Mr Reagan and Mr Carter expect to win easily. Then there is a lull for the

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resumes on April 22 in Pennsylvania. This is another major eastern industrial state and Mr Kennedy has to win if he is to keep alive his hopes of beating

Defecting Russian danc

A Soviet ballet dancer who defected to the West just over two months ago and seemed to be enjoying a new life in the United States has returned to

rities into returning home, although State Department officials here say they have no evidence that this was the case. Mr Stepanov, who is aged 32, was o soloist with the Moscow Academy Ballet when he left the troupe in Rome in ate January and sought asylum in the American Embassy in Rome. He later came to the United States and began working for the New Jersey Ballet.

Jewish ballet teacher and choreographer, who was allowed to emigrate from the Soviet Union five years ago. Mr Vzorov, who taught Mr Stepanov when they were both in Moscow, offered his former student lodgings. They spent about a

sudden decision to return to Moscow apparently came after a visit to a book-shop in New York which

and seemed to be very and seemed to be very He began drinking very and then disappeared It later transpired had spent three day. Soviet Embassy in William on Monday Soviet informed the State D that Mr Stepanov wreturn home. Two Statiment officials met Mri in the presence of troopsular officials yestel said they could find no that he was being coereturning home. It later transpired returning home. Mr Stepanoy appar plained that he mi

and parents although the acse since he had with his wife during before his defection. Senator Jesse Helm servative Republica North Carolina, tried t fully to delay Mr Step parture. He tried to the State Department the dancer in the Unit for another day while? were made to whether he really wan turn home.

In the event Mr was allowed to leave try on board a Soviet aircraft from Dulles a the outskirts of W yesterday. His departu without incident unlik cent row which devel tween Moscow and Wi over the return to M Miss Ludmilla Vias Soviet ballering, wh band, Alexander Godu defected. State De officials refused initia the aircraft leave the

Three die in tunn Kobe, Japan, April forestry workers were an express train tod,

union " group, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment on a hooliganism charge after he shouted an anti-Government slogan on a Moscow bus. Rhodesia fighters offered British training

From Nicholas Ashford

Salisbury, April 2 Soldiers from an independent Zimbabwe may soon be joining the British Army for training and to gain experience of conventional ,as opposed to guerrilla, warfare.

It was announced today that as part of Britain's military aid to Zimbabwe, individual attach-ments will be made by members of the Zimbabwe armed forces to the British armed forces. Details have still to be

worked out, and these and other matters of military cooperation are at present being examined by Major-General Eddie Fursdon, the military adviser to Lord Soames, the Governor of Southern Rhodesia. It is possible that Zimbabweans nay also be offered places at the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, and at College, Camberley.

There are still about 30

British soldiers in Zimbabwe helping to train former Zanla end Zipra guerrillas who are integrated with the security forces.

About 650 Zipra fighters and a slightly smaller number from Zanla are in this operation which is taking place at a barracks in Bulawayo and at Balla Balla camp, south-east of

was discussed today between Mr Robert Mugabe, the Prime Minister designate, and M. Claude Cheysson, the EEC Commissioner responsible for aid and development. After a meeting lasting about an hour Mr Mugabe said he had informed M Cheysson of Zimbabwe's wish to become a member of the

M Cheysson replied that the nine members of the European Community wanted to see Zim-Lome as soon as possible. He added that signatory countries meeting in Arusha, Tanzania, just before the Zimbabwean election in February, expressed the hope that Zimbabwe would become a party to the conven-

Bulawayo. Assistance of a pacific nature

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tion. The EEC was anxious to assist with emergency recon-struction as well as with re-

gional development along the lines discussed at this week's Southern African summit con-ference in Lusaka, M Cheysson said. He emphasized, however, that the "full dimension" of European aid would become known only after Zimbabwe had

Meanwhile, the first uter-continental flight by a scheduled Rhodesian passenger aircraft in more than 15 years took place this evening with the inaugural flight by Air Zimbabwe from Salisbury to London. The airline, using a special long-range version of the Boeing 707, will operate a non-stop, twice weekly service between Zim-

babwe and Britain. A spokesman for Lonrho, the multinational conglomerate, today denied a report that it was planning to launch a newspaper in Zimbabwe. Case abandoned: Charges have been droped against four men

arrested after a grenade attack in February on the home of Mr Mugabe. Mr Brendan Treacy, the Atorney-General, said that the decision was made under the

amnesty granted by Lord Soames to people charged with politically motivated crimes. Police arrested three of the men after a grenade was thrown from a passing car at Mr Mugabe's home on February 6, soon after he returned to Rhodesia from almost five years' exile. A fourth man was

detained later. The arrested men, who included a white sergeant in the paramilitary guard force, were remanded in custody at a court hearing last month. In a Salisbury township today police shot dead a black deserter

who threatened them with a hand grenade. It was the second incident in five days involving renegade African soldiers. Last Saturday a black soldier opened fire on crowd in central Salisbury, killing one girl and wounding four

other people. A police spokesman said today that the deserter, who belonged to the guard force, had threatened to shoot people in the south-western Salisbury town-ship of Mufakose. Reuter.

Bangkok self-help housing a model for Third World

Bangkok, April 2 For almost as long as he can remember, Sangwal Un-Seni has earned his living driving a samlor, the motorized rickshaws which are called "tuk-tuks" in Bangkok because of the noise arrested after a search of her flat, dissident sources said today.

They quoted a policeman as saying unofficially that the 30-year-old kindergarten teacher could be charged with slander they make.

Rarely earning as much as £50 a month, he and his wife brought up numerous children in a series of one-room dwel-lings in the city's riverside slums while dreaming of having their own house one day. But the down-payment required, about £1,000, was something for the next life, not this

one, according to Mr Sangwal, who at the age of 57 says he has always tried to be a good However, in a few days he and his family will move into their own houses, part of a new self-help housing scheme which promises to be a model for lowost housing in poor communi-

tiec everwhere This "building together" scheme, as it is called, is novel because it demands labour contributions from the house owners themselves. Mr Sangwal, after instruction has been deity after instruction, has been driving foundations and laying building blocks for the first 20 houses, one of which will be

His labour contribution is valued at £200 or about 14 per cent of the cash price of the house (£1,450), and this will be deducted from his repayments. So far he has made one cash payment of £45 and will make a second down-payment of the same amount on moving into the house. His mortgage re-payments over 15 years will be

about £14 a month. Most of the others building together come from the same social background. Mr Sali Suksaad, aged 47, repairs umbrellas and sells pumpkins in a city market. Mr Thing Sam-ranch, aged 35, and his wife, aged 36, are both building

workers. They met on a building site and, although they now

have two sons, the wife still shovels concrete and moves rubble. Ultimately there will be 200 houses on the four-acre site, 11 miles from the centre of Bangkok, which cost £115,000. A West German charity lent

the money to buy the land and The Netherlands Government

provided water supplies, drain age, sewerage and roads. The Thai Government Housing Bank provides funds for the building and arranges mortgages; other assistance comes from an international housing service based in Chile. The Asian Institute of Technology provides technical and management assistance.

When the first 20 houses are completed, prospective owners of the second 20 will move onto the site to begin building, assisted by the first group and eight experts in charge of con-struction. Outside volunteers also contribute labour to the

Each house stands on a plot of land measuring 40ft by 16ft. There are two rooms on the upper storey and the lower floor is left open for future development, probably some home industry or craft to supplement family incomes. Prirate, detached houses being built nearby are selling for £15,000 to £20,000. The project has its own building materials factory on the site turning out cement

tions, wooden window-frames and doors. All are designed for easy assembly. When the houses are up, community facilities will follow, including 15 shops, a market, a clinic and a children's playground. Organizers of "building together" believe that, by bringing trousing costs down to a level poor people can afford, they have found the answer to

blocks, cross beams, founda-

flies back to Moscow From David Cross

Washington, April 2

Moscow under unusual circum-Friends of Yuri Stepanov, the dancer, believe he was pressured by the Soviet autho-

When he arrived in the United States he was put in touch with Mr Yuli Vzorov, a

month together.
Mr Vzorov told reporters yesterday that he was absolutely certain that Mr Stepanov wanted to remain in the United States. Mr Stepanov had told him he was glad to be out of the Soviet Union and had been planning his defection for the past five years.

specializes in Russian-language publications and which is a meeting place for Russian emigrees. It is generally assumed that Soviet officials monitor such visits and may a big social problem in developing nations.

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Exiled at a tender age, bright-faced girls in a tent city near Peshawar are three among an estimated 500,000 Afghan refugees living at camps across the Pakistan border.

Janata party by his political cronies and had "removed" Mr Chandra Shekhar, president

of the Janata party and still in

office from its former ruling

For good measure the cronies

also agreed on the "dismissal" forthwith of all the other Janata

pointed out, correctly, that no

Yet straightaway he had him

self acclaimed leader of the "real" Janata by personal followers not one of whom had submitted himself to the process of election by any party

Meanwhile, Mrs Gandhi's Congress Party leadership today called for nominations of candi-dates for the nine state as-

sembly elections, signalling that they are likely to be held at the end of next month.

But before then the wreck of

remaining elements—the Hindu nationalist Jana Sangh, the old

Congress group around Mr Morarji Desai and the remain-

ing former socialists.

rank and file.

party office-hearers.

Three more hasten dying convulsions of Janata

From Our Own Correspondent Delhi, April 2

A few days ago Mr Acharya Kripalani, the Indian elder statesman who with the late Mr J. P. Narayan helped to create the Janata party, said: "The situation in that party is such that anybody can talk any amount of nonsense". Three of the leading personalities of India's former ruling party have An idea of just how India's former rulers live in a limbo of their own making, after a crushing rejection by the electors at the January polls, can be gained by recalling that it was Mr Ram who only last week rejections and the corrections and the policy of the corrections and the corrections are sententially that the policy and the corrections are correctly that rushed to prove that observation correct.

Mr Rai Naram, until now executive president of the Lok Dai Party which broke away from the Janata party last year when the Desai government col-lapsed, last night blithely "dis-solved" his own party in retaliation for his expulsion from the party ranks by Mr Charan Singh, the former premier, who now leads the largest opposition group in Parliament,

Dissolution, the tormer Janatz health minister said had become "an historic necessity": Mr Charan Singh had merely decided to dismiss Mr for protracted party

One day before, the third personality in the trio, Mr Jag-jivan Ram, who voluntarily gave up leading the Janata party early last month, had in-

dulged in similar posturings. the Janata party has probably
When he quit he announced to go through yet more convulhe would launch a new party sions involving its three last but after a Delhi congress last weekend which was a signal flop in terms of backers, Mr Ram simply had himself declared the leader of the " real "

Swiss rebuke equestrian chief for jumping gun

Zurich, April 2.-Switzer the federation's executive comland's National Olympic Com-mittee reacted angrily today to the decision by the Swiss Equestrian Federation to boycott the Moscow Olympics. A committee spokesman said the decision would not influence the other 15 sports federations whose to the games.

"We asked the federation. not to announce their decisions until after our general assembly on May 10", said Mr Karl Erb, for the committee.

Mr Erb claimed the decision of the federation did not reflect internal party elections had even taken place during Janata's three years of exist the wishes of the majority of the equestrian team. "This is the really annoying thing. We are convinced the decision of

mittee was made under the influence of the president.

Mr Guy Sarasin, the equestrian president, said it was "nonsense" to suggest he was behind the decision of his executive committee. "The vote was seven to one, with one abstention. I don't call that a one-person move ", Mr Sarasin agreed that most

of their riders probably still favoured going to the games, but added: "The decision was not taken by the competitors who only take their own personal situation into account-"It is not for them to decide Otherwise what is the point of having any directive body at all?".—AP.

World View

By Arrigo Levi

Initiatives by Italian Communists pose a problem for Moscow

The governments, the cultural elites, the political forces of the West are going, right now, unough a soul-searching debate. whose theme is how to adjust to the new challenges of the 1980s, coming from the Soviet Union, from the Third World and from inside our own societies. No wonder that, at a time of change, the frontier parties of Europe, like the French and Italian communist parties, should undergo special stresses.
Their reactions to the domestic and international crises are equally traumatic, even though the same tensions seem to be pushing one party towards the East, the other one towards the

Establishing links with non-aligned

It would be unwise, at this stage, to try and draw a fully coherent picture of what is zoing on. But a lot is certainly going on. What has happened is that the PCI (Italian Communist Party, under Signor Berlinguer, is again on the move. For once, instead of purely reacting to events, it has taken a series of political initiatives.

The new line is "in full swing", as Signor Giancarlo Pajetta recently said. And it all concerns international rela-

The "new line" follows two directions. The first one has already been defined as "a search for the Euroleft". The second one aims at establishing new links with the non-aligned world. The first search has al-ready led Signor Berlinguer to meeting the Socialist leaders of Spain, Portugal, Germany (Brandt) and France (Mitter-rand): talks with Scandinavian Socialists are also going to take place, while Signor Giorgio Napolitano has suavely prea-ched the Eurocommunist-Euroleft doctrines in London, in a speech at Chatham House and in meeting with Labour

Party representatives.
Following the second direction, the PCI has sent missions to Algeria and Zimbabwe and

a delegation to see Mrs Indira Gandhi, and is strongly sup-porting Nicaraguan Sandinistas and the Polisario, while keeping in strict touch with Belgrade. And of course, Signor Berlin-

All this has so far provoked M Marchais's bitter criticism of the Berlinguer-Mittercand meeting, and some signals of dis-approval from Moscow of the Peking trip. The Soviet leaders seem to be taking their time in reaching a decision on what to do next. The PCI remains the biggest Communist party in the West: a breach with the PCI would endanger Moscow's courting of Europe, which it aims to convert to the idea of a "limited detente". Berlinguer, though very critical of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.

has consistently opposed all Western retaliations and preaches something similar to non-alignment for Europe. He might still be a useful pawn for Moscow's attempted seduction of Europe. The Soviets may therefore decide that excommunication of this mayerick party is still not in their interest. They can trust the old faithful inside the PCI to ston Berlinguer from soing too far and they certainly have the means to prevent his influence from spreadin gin Eastern from spreading in Eastern

In Europe, both Berlinguer and Marchais could be useful to Moscow, just as Jesuits and Domonicans to the church. But I wonder if the other main direction of Berlinguer's new strategy, the search for closer links with the non-aligned, will be considered as equally tolerable by Moscow. Is Berlinguer trying to become Tito's successor as head of the non-aligned communists? He has categorically condemned Moscow's interpretation of "international solidarity", as practised in Afghanistan. As an alternative to it, his party preaches a "new internationalism", which may become an open and dangerous challenge to Soviet imperial policy. All that, plus the trip to Peking, may finally be considered intolerable by Moscow: an excommunication of the PCI might be considered less costly than this new threat from the inside to Moscow's control of the non-aligned movement.

But what is Berlinguer after? The official explanations refer to the need to defend detente Europe and the world, and to creat a left alternative in Europe to domination of the community by the right. The PCI, a party with enormous pride and ambitions, declares. that it wants to take part in the opening of "a new historic phase in Wotern Europe": hence the step forward from Eurocommunism to the "Euroleft ", which was made possible by the "democratic choices" of the PCI in recent years. It is therefore considered certain that the PCI will refuse to take part in this month's conference of European Communist parties of East and West, proposed, under Soviet prodding, by Marchais and the Polish Communists. This might be a momentous turning point, or even a point of no return; the Spanish and Yugoslav Communists have al-ready indicated that they will also stay at home.

Seeking the way to government power

In addition to its great European and global aims, the PCI is also looking for "legiti-mization" as a bona fide democratic party through the European Social Democrats: will this open to Berlinguer the doors of government power, which the Christian Democrats have so far kept jealously closed? At the same time, the new links with China and the Third World would legitimize the PCI as a bona fide revolutionary party. So, the PCI continues to follow coherently contradictory destiny. Is it -also aiming, more or less consciously, for a Soviet excommunication (an expulsion from the father's house), as a liberating act which would free it of its

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ifulfa Kumar Mahanta, dent of the All-Assam Union which has led

Bengali immigrants who were residing in Assam since 1967.

Mr L. P. Singh, the governor, was reported to have made the offer at a meeting with students in the state capital of Gauhati last night.

Mrs Indira Gandhi's Government had previously insisted on declaring 1971 as the decisive year, while the stu-dents are demanding that all Bengalis and others who settled in the state after 1951 should be declared illegal immigrants and deported.

The Army has been called in the past six months to try to stop the arson and rioting that have left 15,000 people

The students today inten-

sified their picketing of an oil sified their picketing of an out pipeline running through Assam. The flow of crude oil to the rest of the country has been blocked by the picketing and there is a shortage of diesel fuel and kerosene throughout India.

Assam produces 5.5 million tonnes of crude oil a year which is processed at three refineries in the state and one ia neighbouring Biber.

The students say their aim is to prevent the Assumese from to prevent the Assamese from becoming a minority in their own state. They say that illegal mmigrants from West Bengal, Bangladesh and Nepal form nearly 40 per cent of the state's population of 15 million.—Reuter.

Nepal sets date for vote on political system

Katmandu, April 2.—Nepal will hold its first referendum on May 2, to decide whether to adopt a new political system or retain the old, the National Election Commission said today. Leaders of both opposition

and ruling parties acclaimed the decision that will allow 7.2 million voters to decide whether to keep the present partyless panchayat system of government or reintroduce multi-party

King Birendra ordered the referendum last May after riot-ing. The Covernment had mobilized 26,000 civil servants to supervize the election .—UPI.

Pakistan to get another British increase in aid

Islamabad, April 2.—Britain today announced an extra £2m increase in aid to Pakistan this year. Earlier Britain had said it was doubling its 1979 aid to Pakistan to £30m. The announcement was made

at the end of a two-day familiar-ization trip by Mr Neil Marten, the Minister for Overseas Development.

Before leaving Islamabad, Mr Marten met Mr Ghulam Ishaq Khan, the Pakistani Finance Minister, and Mr Agha Shahi, who is President Zia ul-Haq's foreign adviser.—Reuter.

Correction

The Civil Service Staff College is at Sunningdale and not at Henley-on-Thames as stated in a report from Salisbary, Southern Rhodesia, on March 20. The Administrative Staff College at Henley is an independent organization and base comparison with the Civil

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Nietzsche A Critical Life

By Ronald Hayman

(Weidenfeld & Nicolson £18.50) Whoever saw him in the tenth years of his madness, wrote Rudolf Steiner, had, the impression that this man

could not die, but that his eye would rest for all eternity upon mankind and the whole world of

The momented existence and the visionary divinations of Friedrich Nietzsche touch the history, art, politics and per-sonal behaviour of the modern age so closely and in so many ways that a new popular but scholarly life in English has long been overdue. Ronald Hayman has provided it. This Nietzsche is an intelligent and often moving account which deserves to be rescued as soon as pos-sible from its prohibitive pricing and placed in the Penguin imprint which has been showing considerable interest in Nietzsche over the past few

Nietzsche's writings are in-tensely autobiographical and the study of his life can only illuminate further their disturbing imaginative power.
Very few artists—and it is bard
not to feel after reading Mr
Hayman that Nietzsche was,
above all, an artist—have related their thought and work so closely to the state of their own body and mind. To tell his story is to tell the story of the brain disease—probably, but nor quite conclusively, says Hayman, hereditary syphilis— terrifying headaches and poor evesight to near-blindness which afflicted him from adolescence on. It is a terrible story but not, somehow, a

Nietzsche turned poor For Nietzsche turned poor health into a positive virtue, and believed that only in sickness and suffering could a man

The Man who Kept the

(Weidenfeld & Nicolson, \$10) Mr Richard Helms, the former

director of the Central Intelli-

gence Agency, kept the secrets so well that he still remains a

shadowy figure at the end of

his book. Perhaps that was

inevitable, as the blurb says

Helms was the quintessential CIA man, but Mr Powers has succeeded in writing the best book I have read on the

on fact the CIA has been the

By Thomas Powers

Secrets

War in back alleys

In law and

His fragmentary prose style was pain and the act of writing expelled the poisons from the

precarious isolation, finding him difficult, but courageous and inspiring. He was a copious and revealing correspondent and far from humourless about himself : The most placid, the most reason-

oble man, so long as he has a big meustache, can sit quietly in its shale—as the accessory of a big moustache he will give most people the impression of being military, irascible and sometimes violent, and behave accordingly. Simply to think of Nietzsche

is to conjure not only that eva-

sive moustache but the whole great undefended head and brow, electrically tensed around glowing eyes which either saw too dimly-he travelled across Europe from Venice to Marien-bad and the Engadin to Nice in order to find dark enough woods and a quality of light they could sustain-or too far: "They looked . . . inwards", remarked Lou Salome, the intel-lectuals' moll and later friend once proposed marriage" as if into the distance".

Too much looking inward into the distance led to escape through insanity, perhaps a little feigned at first, like Hamlet's, but real enough in the end. "I have ordered a convo-cation of princes in Rome", he announced to Strindberg as the crisis gathered around Christmas 1888 (why was he always so ill at Christmas?), "I want to have the young Kaiser shot", and he signed the letter "Nietzsche Caesar". Strindberg

replied in Latin and Greek, "'I want. I want to be mad'. ... Meanwhile it is a joy to be mad", signing off "Strindberg (Deus, optimus, maximus)". optimus, maximus) A scene of truly appalling play-

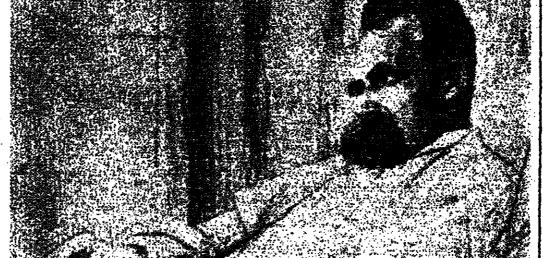
fulness unfolds as the stricken partly conditioned by recurring giants frolic on the very edge of the mineteenth-century world. Consciousness is a screw withblack, almost ink-fish was his own description of Beyond Good and Evil (1885-6). Yet friends envied his philosopher's covery, and he bad continued to specific friends enview for his philosopher's covery, and he bad continued to specific friends and the bad continued to specific fri the less you could do about it. covery, and he had continued to seek, without belief, some pattern to the irrational nature of man.

> Hayman defines the heart of Nietzsche's achievement even more simply: "Nietzsche taught the truth that we have to live without truth". Ranging back-wards to Schopenhauer and Blake, and forwards to Eliot and Freud, he is a gifted and helpful summarizer who makes the ceaseless shifts in Nietzsche's thinking accessible to the general reader without,

as far as I can see, over-simplifying them. I lack the training to follow philosophical arguments closely, and I did expect to understand all Hay-man was saying on a first read-ing of his book: I am grateful to him that I did much better than usual. A precocious classical scholar

and professor of philology at 24. Nietzsche himself rejected the classical forms of presentation in favour of paradox maxim and lightning stabs at the void. He was an aphorist "Slavery still exists" (for example) "and anyone who does not have two-thirds of his day for himself is a slave". He is equally good on laughter, the nature of originality, sincerity and self-preservation, and the cold, devouring advances of modern State. A Prussian patriot in the years of German unification, he came to despise the philistine commercialism of Bismarck's Reich and would probably, as Hayman says, have

hated Hitler's even more: The concept of politics will be assimilated wholly into ideological warfare, all the power structures of the old society will be blown up—they are all founded on lies.



Nietzsche in his last year, by Hans Olde.

There will be wars such as there have never been on earth. (Ecce Homo. written 1888).

As there is much to recognize in Nietzsche's writings, there is much capable of misrepresentation, but about the only truly silly thing he is recorded as saying in all of these 360 pages is something about creative people needing to eat meat, and that sounds silly partly because we suspect him of repeating it at second hand, from Wagner.

One is left with the impression from Nietzsche that the philosopher's famous quarrel with Bayreuth—when they had all lived in Switzerland he had been the Wagners' favourite son -arose from Nietzsche's expres-

sed distaste for Wagner's growing intolerance and authoritar-ianism, and from his own less than ecstatic (or fully attended) reception of the first Ring. (He was, as usual, horribly ill.) Was it as simple as that?

Nietzsche dropped anti-Semitism first, then the rest of the package so completely that he could not bear to listen to Wagner's music and came to believe that Wagner with his dream of reviving the music-drama of the Greeks had instead become the major force pre-venting the wisdom of Antiquity and the Renaissance from flooding its light where it was so needed, on the greed, vulgarity and mindlessness of the modern

world. He may or may not, as Freud and Jung both suggested, have contracted his disease in the male brothels of Genoa, (Hayman thinks not, and that he had a very low sex-drive) but it is a matter of record that the enchanted disciple of Tristan heard Bellini's I Capu-letti ed i Montecchi four times in that city, and Carmen no

fewer than twenty between its premiere in 1875 and the day 14 years later when, believing himself to be Dionysos and grinning excessively in the streets of Turin, he broke down completely and went home. He was 45, and in three or four years began to be famous, the mad, unresting eye of the world.

Volume 3. Faces in My Time By Anthony Powell

(Heinemann, £8.50) The third volume of Anthony

Powell's memoirs carries him

tonality from Goldwyn to Gotterdammerung. But not a b

Soldier's Art (books that throw more light on the experience Here's a pound

> (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £4.50) Here's a pound. Use it to enforce Law and Order", writes Mr Root, amid much more, to Sir David McNee of New Scotland Yard, his letter laced as usual with startling precepts (" Better than ten innocent men be convicted than that one guilty man goes free") and fictions cited as fact ("Gunman Holed Up in Village Pub Shot Dead by 392

Policemen ").

The Henry Root letters

Just another nut? Better play safe. Henry must hug himself as the replies flow in, turning the other cheek to his buoyant onslaughts, sending the signed photograph as with reason his knowingly dotty recommendations, to the First Sea Lord, for instance, that he name a firm date for war with Russia, "Let's not war with Russia, 'Ler's not have a cock-up like last time', returning the pound with grace. Not all the pounds came back. Mrs Thatcher, a recurring beneficiary always addressed as "Dear Leader!" hangs on to hers for the party

funds. So does Henry's hapless MP, drawn into much correassurance that his marriage is solid, which Henry is glad to know ("Here's another pound"). And not all topics are political. When the Greek Consu-

late disowns responsibility for the shop-window advertiser, "Greek masseuse, Full Theatrical Wardrobe", claimed to have damaged Mrs Root's back, her husband demands action from the Foreign and Com-monwealth Office. He doesn't get it, any more than he gets Anna Ford's likeness out of Angela Rippon, but the reply

James Goldsmith, regretfully too busy to lunch; the Senior

generously explaining palace policy on photograph distribu-

note of sympathy over "the trouble you are having with Princess Anne, my Doreen (19) is off the rails too, so I know what it's like", only reaps a form acknowledgment. That could be the best way. You can get terribly involved otherwise.

have their own mad splendour, but need the complement of their wondrously po-faced replies. If Henry is a nut, and I'd hate to bet on that, most of his victims come out twice as nurry, from the Department of "unable to advise whether he should acquire the firm of Jonathan Cape, to Mrs Whitebouse's prim denial that she ever had her knickers

Egon Ronay, the only non-Fre member of L'Académie des Gastronomes of France attacks Michael Ratcliffe fashionable misuse of the ter

cuisine nouvelle.

New cooking for old

how it is frequently described, is no revolution. The phenomena thus named simply amount to a period in the continuous development of French cooking part of an evolution which the now world-famous epithet simply froze in time. It is an intriguing still from the absorbing film of the history of French cuisine.

This history is a series of nouvelles cuisines. As Escoffier said, cuisine reflects its era, so it cannot help being

Besides, cuisine nouvelle is a misnomer, originating from the honest sensational ism of its godfathers. Gault and Millau, the famous guide publishers and gastronomic journalists. The phrase they invented now pervades gas-tronomic writing all over the world. In this country the enthusiasm of neophytes has led to nothing but more or less confused articles.

Current culinary developments, which have come to be known under the name coined in a flash of journalistic inspiration, were influenced among other things by facts of our contemporary life: less time for preparation, more consciousnessand conscience—about heavy and rich food, etc.

At times in gastronomic history a few inventive artists create new dishes, new ways, new combinations. Just as when the first Vichyssoise was made; or when Escoffier seized upon fresh peaches and raspberries for Dame Nellie Melba who arrived, after her performance, too late for anything more traditional; or when the first wild duck was pressed for its juices; or when Fernand Point at Vienne first succeeded in rolling together fole gras and brioche adhesively; or, more recently when Paul Bocuse thought of making a soup of truffles and keeping in the aroma

with a light pastry dome. Had Gault and Millau lived in Cosar Ritz's time, the results of the organizational and inventive genius Escoifier brought to French cooking of the day would now surely be known as cuising nouvelle and its name would be history. Nor would we now be brainwashed constantly with the phrase as used by the fast-moving play. media which pick up developments so rapidly.

While it is true that Michel Guérard's cuisine minceur was created for slimmers, a few of its inspirational Crawford Poole is a

Cuisine nouvelle, contrary to purée of mushroom thickening agent much wider use and of the cuisine name Guerard is one.

three or four really creative geniuses in today (with the inaddition of Girardet sier, Switzerland). I like great composer preted by hundreds conductors. But even conductors of most music have to learn to tional way first.

In the end all novelties must pass, reme test in order that of the palateof fashion, book cir figures or media-f culinary superstars.

The decline in th flour in sauces, th ance of marinade, to ments in favour of la the almost Japanes. ness of dishes are the trends that cha the new movement Claude Jolly, Francing gastronomic tator, prefers to de a "state of mind". 3 naively dogmatic to 🗧 these trends into commandments of

are healthier. There is only touchstone: does taste better than concoction made dis When I am transo the civet de homer wine or a picd do farci at Tante Clai rich, and not "nou style), I couldn't whether chet Koffa

porary cooking, eve 👯

follower of the cuis elle (as he is said Bernard Gaume means-light steak c in a rich red wine the Chelsea Room theless enjoyable traditional in style he, too, is apparent into the new school

Good taste at knowledge are two different matters: broken bread wit erable experts. well-informed abou of food and wine, enjoyed—and for reasons-what they ing or drinking a legitimately be ca tronomes, or gourn it is to the latter the greatest chefs

Ancienne, tradi haute nouvelle, ev —only one thing cuisine has to be bo The Times Cool

Fiction

varying degrees of enthusiasm.

Left-Handed Woman By Peter Handke (Eyre Methuen, £4.95) Kingdom Come By Melvyn Bragg (Secker & Warburg, 56.50) Summer People **By Janice Elliott**

(Hodder & Stoughton, £5.95) I like short novels. Mr Handke's novel is very It is excellent

The style is taut and austere. The author's attitude to his characters is clinical and cold. And yet on this skeletal framework Mr Handke has hung a rich, warm, glowing tapestry of vivid insights and deep concerns into the nature

of human relationships. The setting is Germany. A husband returns home from a greeted by his wife and child. business trip to Finland. He The greeting is cool and distant. It is menacing, too. They book a room in an hotel to celebrate their reunion.

In the morning the woman Save to ber nusband:
"Go away", Bruno. Leave

The husband says: 'For good? They stand silently for a

Then the husband smiles and "Well, first I'll just go back to the hotel and get myself a cup of hot collee. And this afternoon I'll come and take my things."

So, deadpan and abrupt, the marriage is ended.

And in his severe and furrow on the native heath. But very soon the character of proceeds to explore the reasons for the breakdown, and reasons for the failure of problem—Douglas is a very reconciliation attempts, boring man. His life style is the reasons for the failure of

as once practised by imperial Britain, by the countervailing super-power of the Soviet Union. Arguably they had cause, because the balance of they bad power had to be maintained if the threat of nuclear war was to be avoided, and the Russians played the same dirty game. The CIA could be seen as the front-line soldiers in the

external struggle with the anti-Christ, and for many years latter-day critics were its most fervent admirers and defen-Helms spent most of his adult life in the shadows, serving his apprenticeship in the wartime Office of Strategic ders. I can remember Richard who organized the invasion, afterwards Bissell, Services before joining the agency when it was established telling American journalists that they had a duty to cooperate with the agency and not one of in 1947 as part of the Executive Office of the President. them demurred. Congress also cooperated by providing the money without asking quespersonal instrument of succes-

sive Presidents, and it gave agency also had a Helms the moral justification for doing what he was required to do. As he was fond favourite reading was the James Bond stories. Even Dean of saying, he served the Presi-Rusk, his Secretary of State It must have been comfortand a most honourable man, ing but long before Nixon and Watergate the illicit presidenaccepted what he once describas the war fought in the tial demands should have back alleys of the world. That warned him that simple loyalty said, the availability and sec-recy of the CIA encouraged Presidents to ignore the reswas not enough. To be fair, Helms did not like messy operations such as assassitraints imposed by the Constination, if only because naurder behaviour. They were cor-rupted as only men with almost limitless power and no will out, but when President Kennedy and his brother wanted to get rid of Castro and other frustrating foreigners the agency complied with

accountability can be cor-

The process is like looking at

vourself through the back of a

mirror—the image examining

not unhappiness-it is a no man's land of shadows and

whispers, insubstantial, brood-

ing, but made unbearably potent and threatening by the

The novel, too, is a devastat-

ing portrayal of small-town Germany. People do not live in

bungalows. They live in "Housing units".

The woman looks at her "unit" and sighs:

a smelly pizza place outside the door, or a news stand." It is a brilliantly compelling

The publishers call it an

ambitious novel. In truth its

format and style is deeply con-ventional. There is nothing

wrong with that, of course. Mr

Bragg is an excellent crafts-

man. He knows how to handle

knows how to tell a story. What he hasn't brought into

this book is sparkle, excite-

ment and verve. It's rather

Douglas, an out and out media

man, writer, interviewer and

He flies home from America

to celebrate New Year at the family home with his mother

and father, his rascally cousin,

Lester, and his adopted brother. Harry. The novel

starts off by examining with

cqual favour the lives of these

three men. Douglas's marriage

is breaking up. Lester is on

the look-out for a quick buck

in the pop music world of Lon-

Douglas begins to dominate the

The central character is

a large cast of characters. He across the Atlantic.

much longer.
It is rather a plod.

drab.

personality.

He's Cumbrian.

Sometimes I wish we had

and disturbing book, powerful more satisfying and entertain and significant and written ing novel.

Janice Elliot's Summer

Mr Bragg's novel is very People needs nothing doing

positive emotions they parody.

The opposite of happiness is

Successive Presidents used this docile tool of violence in tude, handles this with impresthe first instance because they were denied overt intervention, ledges the role of the CIA in maintaining the peace, but his personal disgust, still very much under control, emerges

The investigation of the reckless and offhand.

The agency might protest its ultimate innocence of murder. Nevertheless, something unpleasant still lingered about medical experiments on unsuspecting victims, attempts to indisease, the funding and technical guidance of police organizations which tortured and romantic appeal, and it will be killed local opponents, and the recalled that Kennedy's support and then abandonment of tribal groups in hidden

wars. Mr Powers hopes that Congressional oversight prevent future excesses, but knows that the habits of power are not easily broken. The Senate's intelligence committee might eventually join an expanded circle of policy-makers who determine the tution and the bounds of decent American role in the world, behaviour. They were cor- and keep the secrets of the future as their predecessors did those of the past. As for Helms, he did keep the secrets to the end and was left worry-Mr Powers, who has his ing about his pension rights.

boring. His predicament is bor-

ing. And so the book itself

becomes dangerously boring

It's saved by the character of Harry and the astute and sympathetic examination of the

Cumbrian town of Thurston,

which has featured so prom-

inently and successfully in Mi

Mr Bragg's touch is sure and confident. The dialogue is

splendid. The characters are warm and buoyant. I suspect that Mr Bragg has allowed

himself to be carried away by

his involvement with his media

man. I am convinced that a series of ruthless prunings would have produced a much

How simple it all seems on

For a moment it appears

But very quickly Miss Elliott

establishes an atmosphere of

threat and unease. When preci-

sely does the action take

place? Why do terns die in rock pools? Why is the tanker

wrecked on the sand bar

Relationships begin to fall

asunder. An outwardly loving,

fulfilled marriage crumbles

Two young people fall in

Gradually a complex and

beautifully modulated picture is built up of a society crumbling

in on itself yet pursuing a vita-

lity of its own that is curiously

independent of the lives of the

people who inhabit it. It is a

brilliantly imaginative work. Everything about it shimmers

quality of the highest

There is a violent death.

an<u>i</u> creaks.

the surface. The summer people

gather for the holiday season

that they are conventional Updike figures transported

at their homes by the seaside.

Here on his home ground

for long, arid stretches.

Bragg's earlier novels.

Louis Heren

at the end of the book.

Church committee, he writes, left the Senate with a feeling of shame. It was not only the aims, or even the failures of American policy which gen-erated this mood, nor the excesses of the CIA in its zeal to do the President's bidding, but rather the melancholy dis covery that American policy had been so often callous,

Modulations on a theme

To Keep the Ball Rolling

from his marriage to Lady Violet Pakenham in 1934 (a happy end continuing one, which makes a nice change) to the makes a nice changer to the publication in 1951 of A Question of Upbringing, first salvo in the endlessly delightful barrage of novels to which he gave the general title: "A Dance to the Music of Time". In between come two main set-pieces: script-writing in Hollywood, and the waryou might suppose, a startling, Beethovenish modulation in

ell's war was not of the tankbusting, beach-landing kind-after all, he was in his thirty-fifth year when it started; it was spent, for the most part— and very usefully spent—in MIL (Military Intelligence, Lizison). And this gave him the chance, well demonstrated in this book, to exercise his strong talent for sharp-eyed, light-fingered observation of the British upper class having its final fling before the slow extinguishment which set with Attlee's solid victory the General Election of 1945.

He has a revealing parenthesis on page 100. "When I wrote about Welsh troops in The Valley of Bones and The

than can be achieved in memoirs)...". This is as much as to say that his attitude to memoir-writing is not that of La Rochefoucauld, who shaped his "Memoires" and "Maximes" slowly and pas-sionately, built into them all his experience, and created a world. Mr Powell reserves his serious pronouncements for his

novels: his memoirs are to he gossipy, relaxed and entertain-Gossipy and entertaining

they certainly are. The portraits are excellent and very numerous-two most notably full of insight and affection of Scott FitzGerald and Maicolm Muggeridge: there is also an admirable conversation-piece of the Authors Club in its immediate post-war years when Douglas Jerrold was very much the pilot-in-charge, a man much more intimidating on

turned out to be later on. Forgotten novelists are fished out of limbo-Geoffrey Dennis and John Lodwick, for examplebe expressed even though he rates neither of them as highly as I would.

But are they relaxed? Perhaps not quite that, because his writing can sometimes be convoluted and loose both at once. But you do not have to wait long before the wit shines through. "... Connolly's editor-ship in the closing years of Horizon was of a kind of Pentheus in reverse, a man held together by Maenada, rather than torn asunder by those

David Williams

Science fiction

The number of the

Beast By Robert A. Heinlein (New English Library, £6.95) Of course one leads with a

Heinleiner. There aren't many to take precedence over a writer who, at 73, is one of SF's most dinstinguished and opinionated citizens. But who would have thought the old crust to have so much marshmallow under it? Where is the tough-toued lyricism which once made me compare him here with film director John Ford? Certainly, this alternative-universe theme is worked out with spectacular efficiency, relating the spacetime coordinates to the number of the Beast of Revelations, 666, and the alien characters are themselves revealed w bizarre humour shifting sinister grotesquerie. And. again, he is entitled to have his private jokes about others in the field of science fiction—Edgar Rice Burroughs and Arthur C.

Clarke are but two. But what should be a swirl of action onces with a kind of pantheistic treacle around the four principal characters, the mathematician who has invented the time-twisting device. his daughter and her lover, and the mathematician's own woman. There is the usual

swipe at Heinlein aversions such as "huilding codes, union rules and coning laws" but the treatment of sexual matters is downright embarrassing in its coyness, rather like an uninhibited Doan Farrar, What with a computer called Gay Deceiver and everybody so lovable that " becomes a four-letter to one's exasperated imagination the only antidote is to read The Unpleasant Profession of Jonathan Hoag. Peter Tinniswood | Profession of Johnson

Does Anyone Else Have Some thing Further To Add? by R. A. Lafferty (Dobson, £5.25). As a fabulist the writer is one of the most extraordinary working in the genre today. springing the trap to despair just as we step on to the plat-form of his quirky humour. These stories have a quite singular flavour: try "About A Secret Crocodile" for a taste of his style. It's addictive.

The Deep Gods, by David Mason (Hale, £4.80). Rother clotted prose, but a really deeply-felt idea that surges forward taking us with it, about a time when men and fish might "linked" in the land of be "linke Eloranar.

Engine Summer, by John Crow-ley (Gollancz, £4-95). Another landscape of myth, but wrought with real distinction, in an age that looks back to men as "angels" and a pilgrim on a progress to self-enlightenment finds past connections aligning with the present.

New Soviet Science Fiction. introduced by Theodore Stur-geon (Collier-Macmillan, 26.25). Russian SF has indeed moved a long way from the early hardware-tethered days: science is no longer the ultimate humanity can flawed, a sense of loss cannot be ignored. Every story in this collection has a vitality makes them very readable.

The Luck Machine, by E. C. Tubb (Dobson, 54.95). The title displays the story's ignition : luck is treated as a form of energy, but the tension is in realizing that there are polarities: good luck here means bad luck there. Good, solid detail.

Motherluines, by Suzy McKee Charnas (Gollancz, £5.95). An extension of the author's "Walk To The End Of The World" kind of women's lib fantasy about an escape from Hodfast by the woman Alldera, fleeing from male slavemasters. Auractively written, but so loaded it

Tom Hutchinson

elements, for example using and will be back n

is charming, and hopes Mrs Root's back is better. Many answer in person: Sir

Tutor of Magdalene, declining somewhat brusquely the pro-posed endowment of a Henry Root Wet Fish Ltd Memorial Library; President Zia of Pakistan, responding to veiled effronteries ("A backward nation such as yours needs the smack of firm government") with a note ending genially, "Wishing you all the best". But it is a Lady in Waiting who answers for the Queen,

tion, though ignoring the plea that Her Majesty should support Mrs Thatcher, Even more disappointing, a later

It's lucky that others are less knot-proof. We should have Root-proof. missed a lot of fun. The Letters pulled down outside the Old

Bailey. It deserves to be bought by all who know a laugh when they see onc. Here's a pound.

Basil Boothroyd

Price wise again

Today The Times begins a new a government harps monthly survey of food prices. determination to con Its aim is to indicate the state at a time of steep in of food inflation now that the Government has quietly dis-mantled all of its predecessor's monitoring equipment.

The monthly survey of fresh fruit and vegetables by the Price Commission ceased last rear. Callers who telephone what used to be the number for the food prices service of the Department of Prices and Consumer Protection will hear the following recorded message: " The Post Office regrets that the food price service is no longer available as the Department of Trade is no longer able to provide the information."

The Department is, of course, perfectly capable of providing

the information if it wants to. Ministers have learnt, however, not just from the experi-ence of their predecessors but also from their own days in office in the early 1970s. Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor, was then Minister for Trade and Consumer Affairs. He came to learn a lesson which was later brought home painfully to the Labour

Government. It is that the more

almost nothing about of food in shops. Pu about inflation has b ted from food to the creased costs of fue and borrowing. The survey to be in The Times will state of prices for a common products. been chosen only their wide sale. Th reason to believe tha more inflation-prone

more the public wil

that it is failing.
The present Govern

thing else. The prices quoted cessed foods are the mended by the mai Prices charged in n will be lower the quoted. The survey of living. It is a rem despite the Govern luctance to mention. the cost of basic food quickly.

Hugh (Agricultural Corr

Food prices (pence)		·
	Year ago	Month ag
Ilb rump steak	199	226
ilb pork loin chops	102	112
10oz Birds Eye cod fish fingers	65	74
Six quarters Farmer's Table trozer	1	
chicken	60	52
15oz Heinz bakeg beans	19	2G 1
150gm Cadbury's chocolete fingera"	35	42.
1lb low-priced tomatoes	40	. 25
lib low-priced white potatoes	- 6	7
1 kg McDougali's plain flour	. 421	45 1
750gm Cerebos sait	19	21
12 Size Two white eggs	61	661
Total	£6.491	£7.07
Includes VAT at standard rate		

Sources: Meat and Livestock Commission averages; Egg average; Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Information Bureau turers' recommended retail prices.

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Fashion

Prudence Glynn

Left: The dramatic. Backless plastic breastplate and draped silk drawers, magnificent ridged batwing coat. Issy Miyake Photographs by Harry Korr





Above left: The American influence; very important both in the shops and on the catwalk. Texan boots, fringed furs, shiny leathers. Above right: The Florentine fight look. Bloused silver lame jacket (Chloe)





Above left: Winterhalter. Ruffles, taffeta, ankle length, romantic Above right: Spotted fake furs. Ugh. There were lots.



The knit mini.

Paris oks over her houlder

ast that can happen", d Mr Nureyev, "is that I fall on their bottom a bit sore. We were at ballet school never o catch a dancer who calculated Her leap, for on that it can break

us as ever to bring to the views, however of the mighty, I had d my dinner partner, a poem of fashion in a de minuit of black collared suit, white cked sweater and fur about the speed at ame Margot or who-chacked at him across

e. It was Paris, and

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ver be made and is here to distract the less

that there is nothing to say in fashion, the h century Having l every silhouette since leaf? Or is it that even

with the new generation of shoppers there are fewer left to hear or care?

Skirts.

Every length from mini to maxi. The mini is best in short cabled stitch knits, worn with thick woolly tights and soft suede boots (Miyake). It has a waist this time around, a leather belt usually, and it is very informal, the opposite with thick woolly tights and soft suede boots (Miyake). It has a waist this time around, a leather belt usually, and it is very informal, the opposite is very informal, the opposite of the Courreges carapere. Or it is a blouson jacket. Then, there is the neatly pleated skirt to just below the knee (everyone) or the mid calf length diradle. Evening dresses are ankle length. And the diradle mini.

Claret with gold, navy black, scarlet with purple. Shape

The little schoolgirl taked dress is the only fresh look paris. It has, of course, but translated into a more formal look it is an appeal. The dress is from a second point.

mini Trousers.
Phis fours, pedal pushers, ankle cuffed evening pants, but most important the return of the just above the knee length culottes. A few shorts worn with midi coats.

Coats.
Mid thigh length car coats, or that new short bridge jacket or bolero, cut straight to above the waist and edge to edge.

The mood.

The mood.

Empress Elizabeth and the Austro-Hungarian empire. Corded embroidery on velvet, upper-crust peasant influence from there and from North Africa (St. Laurent), Military greatcoats military pockets (St. Laurent) Very masculine. Black tuxedos, the parking warden look. Schmaltzy or aggressive. Vita Sackville-West hats. A wild exuberance at JAP. The prices.

Astronomic. A minimum comitent of \$20,000 or \$25,000 per house for buyers.

house for buyers. The fabrics

Velvet, moire taffeta, heavy knits shot through with lurex. Quilting. We shall all by

The little schoolgirl tabard dress is the only fresh look for Paris. It has, of course, been done elsewhere, but translated into a more formal look it has an appeal. The dress is cut an appear. The gress is cut from a square yoke and fulls into three tiers, each one outlined in frills. It looks like all those stories about schoolgirl mothers might be true.

Safe and pretty

Jean-Louis Scherrer, who just understands what the ladies want, and likes them and wants them to look pretty.

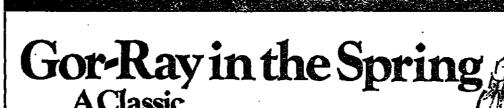
them to look pretty.

Awful
Tarty maids frilled dresses with some sort of fish gills sticking out of the side (Rykiel). Want to look like a box of rather old chocolates? Try Givenchy or the latter half of St Laurent. Ungaro might be a name to toy with, too. Count me out for plastic breastplates, as well.

Magic
Claude Monet (1840-1926) and not, if I might remind you, in the fashion business but at the Grand Palais. Many designers could learn a lesson from him. Missoni. Invading from Italy with a wonderous colour spec-

with a wonderous colour spec-trum and a tactility which is crucial in fashion now.

So there you have it. The message from Paris is about as clear as a heliograph in a Scotch mist.



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Racing and bloodstock get a VAT concession

Aruse of Commons Six Timothy Kitson (Richmond C) asked the Charceiler of the Exchequer, what action he had taken vis-a-vis the EEC Commission in order to secure an end to the value-added turn treatment of bloodstock and racing in France and the Republic of Ireland which onerated to the detriment of United Kingdom interests: and whether the Government intended to allow any further extension of the period during which race-horses can be imported for train-ing and racing into the United without payment of

value-added tax. Mr. Peter Rees, Minister of State, The Chancellor of the Exchequer write to Commissioner Burke on March 7. He told him that he was disturbed that no action appeared to have been taken under Articla 169 of the Treaty of Rome to open proceedings against the French and Irish Governments. I followed up this complaint at a meeting which I had with Commissioner Burke on March 14.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer the Central Middlesex Hospital. His constituents faced an Easter weekend when it was likely they would be unable to travel on Friday. Saturday or Sunday because of the possibility of this kind of action.

Mr Nicholas Winterton (Macclesfield, C) raised what he said he regarded as an abuse whereby under the Local Government

Commissioner Burke informed me that the Commission had instiruted fact finding inquiries with regard to training services in France, Ireland and the United Finden and that he expected the Commission to be in a position to take a final decision on whether is authorize proceedings at a meeting around the end of April. which are not in conformity with the sixth council directive on valve added tax, it would be unor I to those practices.
The Government has therefore been considering what action they themselves can take which would he consistent with the provisions of the directive but which would become the damage done to the United Kingdom bloodstock

it have today authorized the commissioners of Customs and Figise to extend by one year the timporary importation facility for mechanises owned by overseas

residents.
The effect of this concession ill he that overseas owners will be able to have their horses rained and raced in the United Lingdom for two full racing casess without incurring any inability for value added tax at invortation provided that the bosses remain in the same ownerchip and are re-exported at the end of the two year period. For the purposes of the conditions for the expect recogning relief, there will be a similar emension in the period of racing the of a horse purchased in the United Kingdom by an overseas The Commissioners of Customs and Excise will be in touch with the Jockey Club and the Horse-rating Advisory Council about the detailed application of the con-

went on) there has been a realiza-

tion by our partners in the Com-munity that there is a real problem

which this country faces. It was

not so in July last year at Strasbourg. Eut since Strasbourg and then Dublin there has been a

change of attitude on the part of

our partners.
We still have a long way to go but I am convinced that if we all

try in a spirit of friendship, we can get a satisfactory solution.

Lord Corringion was answering Lord Shinwell (Lob) who asked for a Government statement before the next summit on British relations

with the EEC and the prospect of settlement of differences.

Lord Carrington replied-The Government remains determined to secure an equitable settlement of

the budget problem. We shall treat other problems such as the CAP,

Lord Shinwe!!-The differences are not diminishing with the

French but accelerating. Some French farmers had the impudence

to stage a demonstration outside the House of Commons. What is

likely to happen if we retaliate by sending a deputation to Paris?

Lord Carrington-I do not think

the differences are worse than they

Lord Wigg (Lab)-The one thing

Britain and EEC closer

Conservative MP attacks Esso over its policy on small garages

deal with the difficulty of travelling on the underground at night, Mr Laurence Pavilt (Brent, South,

Lab) said when he opened the debate on the Easter recess.

Last weekend, it was impossible to travel on the underground into his constituency as a result of a series of attacks on railwaymen over the last 13 months on the line through Reasters and holle line through Neasden and Dollis Hill. Railwaymen had said "enough is enough".

"enough is enough".

The police force in his constituency by and large did a good job. There was a need for decisions much higher up. It was incredible that when 100 National Front people liked to go on a march there were 3,000 police to account them. protect them, yet when his constituents wanted to go home after visiting friends or the theatre there was a risk they would finish up at the Central Middlesex

regarded as an abuse whereby under the Local Government Superannuarion Act 1922 h was possible for long serving local government officers to opt for retirement in order to draw their superannuation earlier and then be taken back on only 24 hours later. Two senior officers employed by Congleton Borough Council in his constituency had retired for 24 hours and then been taken back on. Thus for a period of two, three or four years they were likely to be in receipt not only of their superannuation pension but also of superanguation pension but also of their full salary which would con-

tinue to increase In the eyes of hard pressed rate-payers, these officers were getting a salary increase of some 50 per

He understood that under the Act only those who had been working in local government for more than 40 years had the opportunity of opting for this pension and then being taken back on paging. back on again.

back on again.

It was an abuse of the system and should not be allowed to go on. It was immorel and set a bad precedent to other workers. If some form of legislation was required to stop up this loophole, he hoped the Government would Bir Frank Allaun (Salford, East, panies to fix the retail price. About Lab) said the House should not 26 per cent of petrol being sold in

dering a matter which arose this morning out of the defeace White Paper, in particular the proposal to deploy 160 cruise missiles on

It could be that tonight, by design or more likely by accident, a nuclear bomb was delilvered on Moscow or Leningrad. The Russians would not wait to set up their equivalent of a royal commission. They would wipe out the possible sources from which that bomb had

As Aneurin Bevan once said, here was no label on a nuclear bomb. Britain was a priority target and would become far more a priority target if it went ahead with this proposal. The British people were extremely vulnerable in their overcrowded island.

The White Paper said the Goverument warmly endorsed this pro-posal. It was easy for the Government, which would be safe under-ground, about five storeys down, but the rest of the population would not warmly endorse the retallation that would inevitably

say in the House (he said) the Labour Party is opposed to nearly every measure for increased expenditure for the expansion of the arms programme mentioned in

It is particularly opposed to the

acceleration of the arms race and most particularly to the 160 cruise missiles which, unless we prevent them will be deployed on British soil and probably lead to the death of us all. Mr Fergus Montgomery (Altrucham and Sale, C) said he was concerned at the way certain old companies were dominating and taking over the retailing of petrol.

As they took over most of the petrol sales, small garage businesses would disappear. Esso was currently seeking to replace many of their tenants' leases with licences which would deprive tenants of their legal rights under the Tenant and Landlord

Act and give Esso control over pump prices. This was causing bitterness among Esso tenants. There would be serious consequences for the consumer if the major oil companies were allowed to control the retail price of petrol. The most important dif-ference between the leased site and the licensed and directly managed site was the ability of petrol com-

the United Kingdom was being sold at prices dictated by the petrol companies.

It was stronge that Esso could do It was stronge that Esso could do
in this country what they were
prevented from doing in the
United States. There seemed to be
price fixing, a refusal to renegotiate renancies, the taking over of
successful independent stations. Contracts to supply petrol to some stations were being arbitrarily ended where the company did not think enough petrol was being sold.

There was a need for an urgent investigation to ensure there was no further enforced reduction in the number of independent filling stations in the company.

Mr John Stokes (Halesowen and Stourbridge, C) said they should debate the influence of the BBC on public opinion, He preferred sound broadcasting because television was not so responsible and did not have such high standards. The BBC fell down serious; in morality and in the partiality of its views.

The lapse in morality and taste started in Sir Hugh Greene's day. The BBC might have plumbed even lower depths but for the valiant efforts of Mrs Mary Whitehouse who was admired throughout the country. She had partly stopped the moral rot.

The emphasis of the BBC (he said) is still far too much towards said) is still far too much towards sex and violence, inflicting appalling damage on the moral fabric of the nation, particularly the young. In some of the variety shows the smutty jokes, inquendoes and sheer crudity and vulgarity, jar in many households.

Some BBC producers had excelled the interprise and contained

attacked the integrity and cohesion and patriotism of the nation. In talks, commentaries, discussion groups and so on, bias immical to the nation's best interests crept in He suspected that some of these producers were the kind who read The Guardian, for Instance, mistakenly believing that those were the views of the ordinary Englishment

Sir Ronald Bell (Beaconsfield, C) said anyone who said what needed to be said about the BBC exposed himself to the risk of being naive in the eyes of some people, but this was a serious national problem.

problem. Those people from the universities with left wing politics tended to make a straight line for the media in both newspapers and broadcasting. These people only thought they were being impartial, but it was just a fact that they did not know where the middle of the road was.

Mr Fletcher-Following the repre-

Electricity charge 'unfair to islands' consumers in the highlands and Mr Donald Stewart (Western Isles Islands. Scottish MPs complained about a

decision by the North of Scotland Hydro Electric Board to charge more for electricity generated by

Mr John Mackay (Argyll, C) said the chairman of the board should be told that this decision on charges was unfair to the small islands which were being badly hit. The chairman should be asked to

of State for Scotland (Edinburgh, North, C)—We have had represen-tations on this matter, including an approach from the Electricity Consultative Council for the North of Scotland District.

We are considering those representations to see if any action should be taken.

sel generation was regarded, rightly, as iniquitous and abolished in 1965, though not by Mr Fletcher's government. It contradicts the social remit written into the bydro board constitution. Will the Scottish Office fight this pro-

sentations, we will my to get an early conclusion.

Micro-computers in class

to settling differences However objectionable and how-ever rough the going, whatever we enter into we should pay 20 shill-The differences between Britain

> taking into account. need not think she is going to get anything. Now in the face of the terrible opposition we are receiv-

Lord Carrington-It is a great mistake to assume this is an Anglo-French dispute. It is not. This is a matter which all the members of the Community have got to solve between them. We must see that it

Parliamentary notices House of Commons

test must not happen is for this country to welsh on its obligations. House of Lords

and other EEC countries had not become worse, Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said at consideration the Government is

ing from the French—and getting kicked all over—we should have a referendem of the people to see whether we stay in the Common

Later he said: As is usually the case in these matters, these issues are seen from a different standpoint from different places. I have no doubt the French are just as sincere in their attitude as we are in over

Private Bills

the common fisheries policy and sheepment, on their rierits and work for parallel progress. The British Railwa ys (Castle-field) Bill was read the third time in the Commons and The Humber-side Bill and Wesley's Chapel, City Road Eill, were read a second

C) asked the Secretary of State

for Industry what his department was doing to help secondary schools acquire microcomputers. Sir Keith Joseph, in a written reply, said—The Department of Industry, under the terms of the microprocessor applications pro-ject and after appropriate discus-Department of Education and Science, is sponsoring an essay comperition for secondary schools with 100 British microcom puters as the prizes.

Associated with this competition, I will be inviting leading ware.

industrialists and fnancial institutions to consider ways in which they can help spread microcomputing into schools as rapidly as possible either by building on the existing links between industry and education at the local level, or by contributing towards the apparence contributing towards the expansion

of the prize pool.

By providing hardware this initiative will complement the programme recently announced by the Department of Education and Science which aims at promoting curriculum development, teacher training, and arrangement for production and exchange of soft-

Advert on London bus for Russian airline attacked

The Government was accused of political ceasorship when the Earl of Kimberiey (C) drew attention to the fact that the London Passenger Transport Board were now advertising on the full length of a double decker bus: "aeroflot welcome to Moscow".

Lord Mowbray, Segrave and Stour-ton, a Lord in Waiting, said: I must point out that the Govern-ment has no direct responsibility for London Transport or its advertising. By statute the Great-er London Coupell have as overer London Council have an overall

The Earl of Kimberley-Would he not agree that, in view of the situation with Russia and Afg-hanistan, the advertising depart-ment of the LPTB might be informed by the Government that it is in complete contravention of the Government's policy towards Russia at the moment? Lord Mowbray, Segrave and Stour-ton-Yes, I would accept what he

says. The Government regrets the appearance of these adverts. The leader of the GLC has already made clear his support of the Government's play about not support. ernment's view about not support-ing our going to Moscow in the Olympic Games.

No doubt in due course he made make his views known to the London Transport Executive. Lord Hale (Lab)-This is of political censorship of the worst possible kind. Has the Government ever suggested that it wished to put an embargo on the publication of advertisements?

Is it to go out from this House that the Government wants people to consider, on political grounds, what advertisements to accept or

Lord Mowbray, Segrave and Stour-ton—I would hesitate to say that the Government's views on any matter should be dictated to the

Feasibility of district heating in cities

The Government proposed immediately to set in hand work on the feasibility of district heating schemes of combined heat and power, the first stage being the identification of possible locations for them, Mr John Moore, Under Secretary of State for Energy, said in a long written reply on action in a long written reply on action following the Marshall report on combined heat and power published in July last year.

Mr Moore said the Secretaries of State for Environment (Mr Michael Heseltine) and for Scor-land (Mr George Younger) would be consulting local authority asso-ciations about areas where these ciations about areas where these schemes might be an economic proposition and where local authorities wished to examine the prospects. The cooperation of the electricity supply industry in all such areas was important.

He wild is had long been recogni

He said it had long been recognized that combined hear and power (CHP) could save energy whether linked with district heat-ing schemes (CHP DH) or with

industrial processes.

The report concluded that CHP/ DH could be a viable economic operation for heating buildings in areas of high density heating loads, particularly in the longer term, and recommended that to establish a timely option for its development one or more lead city schemes should be started as soon as prac-

ticable.
On several counts CHP/DH schemes could fit well with the Government's energy policy criteria. The next step was to test the feasibility of CHP DH in specific locations. A programme of work on feasibility was being set in

The second stage (he went on) The second stage (he went on) will comprise a full examination of one or two of these locations, with a view to using them for lead city schemes. Only this information will enable judgements to be made on the desirability of providing funds and on the scale of involvement by central and local government and other bodles.

other bodies.

The Government will meet the costs of its employment of consultants for this work, but would not cover other costs of establishing feasibility incurred by local authorities, the electricity supply industry or other bodies.

All supplements would need to be All such costs would need to be found from within existing public expenditure limits, and at each stage the programme will be sub-

iect to review. After the completion of the second stage, a crucial decision will be necessary on whether to proceed to detailed design work for the construction of a major There are no easy or

For instance, even the refurbish-For instance, even the returbishing of old power stations in city locations, which is occasionally mooted as an appropriate basis for a CHP/DH scheme, will not necessarily be the optimum solution for that area, and in any case is unlikely ever to be cheap. In industry, where CHP is already established, we accept the report's recommendation that the Government should encourage the development of worth while CHP

Other ways in which BBC could cut back

There were other wars where sav-ings might have been made in Scot-tish broadcasting before schools broadcasting and the orchestras were involved. Mr. Alex Fletcher. Under Secretary of State for Scot-land, said during questions on BBC services in Scotland.

Mr John Maxton (Glasgow, Cath-cart, Lab) asked him to discuss with the Broadcasting Council for Scotland the serious effects on Scottish education of the proposal to eliminate the BBC education broadcasting services in Scotland would bave, particularly in rural

Will he (he asked) announce a grant to the BBC through the Scot-tish education department so that they can continue this service? Mr Fletcher (Edinburgh, North, C)—The Secretary of State has replied to that point about granting funds to the BBC. This is a matter for the BBC. I regret that their assessment of their priorities should have this result.

Mr William Walker (Perth and East Perthshire, C)—Radio Scotland leaves much to be desired. Some of the funds would be better channelled towards the education

Mr Fittcher-These views are being expressed strongly to the BBC. Mr Gordon Wilson (Dundee, East, Scot Nat)—It would be disastrous for Scottish school children if they got their learning partly from programmes from England with no respect to Scottish traditions and language. Mr Fielcher-The Secretary of State (Mr George Younger) and I

Unions and employers told to mind their responsibilities

he sector borrowing requirement to E8.500m coupled with a strict cause unnecessary suffering with-but producing the desired result, Lord Byers (L) said when opening a debate on the budget.

He welcomed the medium and long-term look at the economy and the help given to small businesses. was absurd to stress the importance to the economy of industrial revival while permitting the strangithoid on businesses of overdrafts at 20 per cent. Why could this not be reexa-

mitted and the French system of selective interest rates be looked laflagen would not be conquered if the Government ignored. the part hich uncerted pay settle-ments ployed in pushing up the

Prefir sharing would have as its ein the ficentive to make profits and climinate industrial disputes. It should not be regorded in the same category as the Christmas homes but as a really important with the of sustained growth in the prit in which people were working, field Wels-Festell (Lain), for the topposition, suc in less than a year the Government had succeeded in marching the country down file road inwards the conditions of the 1930s in the sense that Pritain was end not overcoming a focused of the control of the resul-tant fears it struck in the hearts and minds of ordinary resple who always here the brunt of recession and regremente pre-

There were at least five measures which placed a heavy financial barden on the family.

It would appear that it was the Government's policy to create a substantial paol of unemployed, it was appalling that the Government

had decided that unemployed people should not receive earnings-related benefit. As be understood it, they had paid for it in their national insurance contributions.

Some people were saying the creation of unemployment could be a deliberate design to force workers and trade unions to accept ultimately, when work was available, a lower wage structure.

Could the Government honestly say in reducing strikers' benefit by £12 it was right in a democratic society to punish the wife end children because a husband and father had exercised his democratic right? It was a malicious The Government should seek to

recover some of the money that the banks had made as a result of its policies. The minimum lending rete was high, banks were charging over the minimum lending rate and over the minimum lending rate and they were effecting big business as well as little businesses. This year the figures for bankruptcy when they become known would shock Lord Cockfield, Minister of State.

Treasury, said it was because money supply was the critical factor to thet level of inflation, that it was crucial to set monetary targets and to ensure that money supply was kept within a specified When they had come into office, mone: supply at M3 was growing at about 14 per cent per year, well above the previous Government's target range. It had continued at that rate for four months after the June budget last year but in the following four months, assisted by the budget last year but in the following four months, assisted by

June budget and other to 10 per cent. The target range for mid April, 1981, had been set at 7 to 11 per cent. It was intended to get M3

down to the centre of that range and that involved a further sub-stantial slow-down in the underly-ing rate of monetary growth. Setting monetary targets was not the end of the matter and it was essential to ensure that they were observed. That meant that every effort must be made to ensure that targets did not come under excessive erain The central part of the budget

was to bring down the public sector borrowing requirement, A heavy responsibility rested on the private sector, not just management but workers. Excessive pay settlements—and both sides of industry must shoulder responsibility—meant that companies needed more money to finance their activities.

With firm control over money

supply that drove up interest rates, so that when employers complained about high interest rates. they needed to recognize their responsibility in the matter.

Equally, when union leaders complained about high interest rates, they needed to recognize

their responsibility, too.

The effect of high interest rates (he said) is that some companies will be unable to finance their activities, at the inflated level of pay settlements they have agreed, or which were forced on them by

union negotiators.

The result must be a fall in their activities and the level of employment, and at the same time insolved. vency for the company and redun-dance for the workers. It is simply a marter of cause and effect. No amount of rhetoric alters it. Water does not flow uphill. No amount of ralking. no fiery speeches, no demonstrations, not even strikes, will make it. Union negotiators who nego-iated more than their firms could

afford were negotiating unemploy-ment for their members. The Government was acting on the level of payments which

the level of payments which strikers could claim from public runds. There might be a demo-cratic right to strike, but none to expect the victims of the strike to pay those for going on strike. The implication was one which the public rightly resented. The present level of interest

The present level of interest rates was a severe burden for industry and the best service they could do for industry was to ensure that those rates went down. That means reducing, not increasing PSER, and that was what Government policies were designed to do and would do.

Leaders of industry must appreciate that it was not just their freedom, but their responsibility, to create the wealth on which the

furnice of the country and hopes for a rising standard of living must The Government's responsibility was to provide the conditions in which individuals could give of their best and industry could pro-

sper and grow and create more wealth for the nation and more employment for the people. Having created those conditions it was for the Government to step aside and leave the people to get on with the job, They had taken the first steps along that path and as time and opportunity offered

Lord Davies of Leek (Lab) said Lord Davies of Leek (Lab) said that the Chancellor had deliber-ately resorted to creating a slump hecause he knew of no other way. This was an acquisitive society that could only get full employment when it was rearming, preparing for war or at war.

Lord Thorneycroft (C) said substantial steps to reduce expend-

would take others.

iture, marking a sharp change in policy, had been introduced in the budget. Those changes were dramatic, controversiol, painful, and right. It was an attempt to reduce and curtail inflation. Inflation degraded society. It shook the confidence of investors, eroded savings, discouraged thrift, sucked in imports, cut deep into the social services, encouraged powerful services, encouraged powerful unions to abuse their privileges and immunities, and sacrificed

Inflation was evil. It went to the root of the way people lived. A policy to deal with it must be a policy which had something to do poncy which had something to do with spending less and producing more. In simple terms, that was the basis of what the Government's strategy was. The object of the budget was to spend less.

Budget resolution House of Commons

The budget resolution to abolish the lower tax rate band was carried by 320 votes to 253-Government majority, 62-at the end of the debate on Tuesday night. The budget resolutions were agreed to and the Finance Bill brought in and read a first time.

Days lost

Mr Patrick Mayhew, Under Secretary for Employment, said in a written reply: The number of working days lost in industrial disputes from May 1, 1979 to February 29, 1980, was 27.7 million (monthly average 2.8 million). The total for the previous 12 months was 14.4 million (monthly average 1.2 million).

How Ali still holds the purse strings

and Mike. Weaver, showed little interest today in meeting for the undisputed world title, but both expressed a desire to meet the former champion, Muhammad All.

The reason is seen to the champion, in New United States of the eighth round, the rival promoter Den King, and the WEC champion, Challenged All. The reason is money. A contest with Alf would mean a multimillion-dollar promotion; a Holmes-Weaver match could bring only a fraction of that in purse

All, now ostensibly unretired after 19 months of inactivity, appears eager to accommodate both Holmes, the World Boxing Council (WBC) champion, and Weaver, the new World Boxing Association (WBA) title holder. Ali, aged 38, watched on tele-vision on Monday night as Holmes retained his title by stopping Leroy Jones and Weaver knocked out John Tate in a startling upset. What he saw, Ali said, convinced him that he could easily beat

either champion, "I want Weaver in two months and Holmes two mouths after that," All said yesterday at his Los Angeles home. The promoter, Bob Arum, who had been working on a Tate-Ali bout, switched signals after Weaver's victory and said he would try to sign Weaver and Ali instead. "We've spoken with All and his advisers and they want to go allead with the [Weaver] fight", Arum said in Knoxville, Tennessee. "We hope to hold the fight

Holmes halted Jones in the eighth round, the rival promoter Don King, and the WBC champion, challenged All—while counciding that it was likely Holmes would make his next defence against Scott Ledoux, "I'll fight Alt, Ledoux, Weaver, anybody", Holmes said. "I'll take them all out. I'm there now. There's no doubt anymore, I'm the only heavyweight champion in the world".

world".

King promoted the June, 1978;
march in which Holmes won the
WBC title from Ken Norton and
has staged all six of his title
defences. One of those was
Holmes's win over Weaver, who in

Holmes's win over Weaver, whom he stopped in the 12th round in June, 1979.

All, who held the heavyweight chempions'do three times, could hardly contain his eminusiasm after watching Monday night's title boats. "Weaver is duck soup for me", Ali said. "I can't miss him with my left jab. Weaver is my meat. He is short and he is sloopy.

aloppy.
"I'll whip Holmes, too", All added. "That big, old fat boy. [Jones] almost got to him. He almost bear Holmes".

All, who weighed more than 250th when he started training them. about a month ago for his come-back, said he was down to 237lb, with an eventual target of 225lb.—Reuter.

A champion wants to be let loose on caged conqueror lost his WBA ditle last November 30 when he was knocked out by Johnson in the eleventh round. Mr Arum, who promoted the Gregory-Johnson bout, said Gregory most likely would make his first defence against Loite Mwale, of Zambia, or Mustapha Wesajja, of Uganda, Wasajja is ranked third and Mwale sixth by the WBA.

Knoxville, Tennessee, April 2.— Eddie Gregory, a brash and cocky product of a tough Brooklyn ghetto, says he is eager to defend his newly won World Boxing
Association light-heavyweight title
against the last man to beat him—
James Scott, a New Jersey prison

The WBA are expected to have other plans for Gregory, aged 27, who won the title when he stopped Marvin Johnson, of the Umited States, in the eleventh round here on Sunday. "I'd like to settle a score with James Scott most of all", Gregory said, referring to a 12-round points

decision be lost to him in October

1978 at the Rahway State Prison, where Scott is serving a long sentence for armed robbery. tence for armed robbery.

A title bout against Scott at the prison—the only place he is permitted to box—seems unlikely since the WBA dropped Scott from their world rankings last year.

"If I can't fight Scott, then I'd like to take on Victor Galindez," Gregory said. "I want to settle a score with him, too." Galindez, of Argentina, was the last man to beat Gregory before his loss to Scott, when he scored a close points decision

before his loss to Scott, when he scored a close points decision over the New Yorker in November, 1977, to retain his light heavyweight title, Bob Arum, the promoter, said today that it was unlikely that the Argentinian could get down to the 12st 7lb divisional limit in order to meet Gregory. Galindez

Easy defence for Lujan

American referee Larry Rozadilla stepped in near the end of the ninth round after Isogami, his face badly swollen and bloodled, had been battered around the ring by the champion. Lujan took command from the

Lujan took command from the opening bell, finding the Japanese an easy target as he tried to take the contest to the champion. Lujan, who has won 22 of his 24 bouts as a professional, 14 of them inside the distance, said: "It was an easy fight for me. I could have stopped him earlier but he came charging in with his head and I had to protect my face."

Lujan completed the fifth successful defence of his World Boxing
Association (WBA) bantamweight
crown in a one-sided bout against
Shuichi Isogami of Japan here.

Assaki, admitted that it was a mismatch. "I didn't think Lujan was
so strong", he said after WBA's
thild ranked bantamweight had
suffered his second defeat during
a career that has also brought him

that the champion did not drop a single round. Referee Rozadilla had it 80/72. Judges Shotchi Uchida of Japan and Medardo Villalobos of Panama scored it 80/77 and 80/75, respectively, for the champion. 80/77 and 80/75, respectively, for the champion.

Lujan was the second Panamanian boxer to win a world title here in the past ten days. Hilario Zapata took the World Boxing Council (WBC) junior flyweight title from Japan's Shigeo Nakajima ou a countroversial decision on March 24.—Reuter.

20 wins, including 14 knockouts, and three draws.

The official score card showed

that eventually you hat to London to get Thomas said. "Mike I have had a long Bygones are bygones : you can say that for on again in London."

One way of making a tan turn g

Gainesville, April 2 Christopher Snode, one of Britain's highest hopes for the

Moscow Olympics (assuming we and he get there), seems to have found a Shangri-la bere in Florida. He is in his last year at Florida University on a sports scholarship founded on his special gift for diving. It is an area where the pace of life is tranquil, the weather idyille, the girls pretty and his English background and accent (still with only a hint of American) a source of special attraction. He wears a Great Britain T-shirt about the town "because I'm patriodc", as one night guess from the Union Jack that hangs over his bed with a matching pillow.

matching pillow.

He came here, a callow youth of 17, in 1976 from Horn-church in Essex. It would be harder to imagine a greater contrast. Gainesville has all the atmosphere of a tropical holiday resort, with palms and azaleas bursting with life, and blonde legs descending from briefest shorts. Today as he practised in the outdoor Florida pool the temperature hovered around the eighties both in the air and the eighties both in the air and the water. Imagine Ctystal Palace, Blackpool or Cardiff trying to compete with that, to say nothing of the advanced equipment indoors at his enthusiastic dis-

Snode, a personable young man with, it seemed to me, a friend on every street corner, so excels on every street corner, so excels in his art that he won both Commonwealth Games diving medals at Edmonton Ontario in 1978, and, still more significantly, the World Cup three metre title in Woodlands, Texas, last year, when he beat the legendary American, Phil Boggs. Since Texas, however, a new star has arisen, Gree Langaniouse, an American of Samoan descent, and it was he who won the National Collegeate three merre championship at Harvard last week (as well as the ten metre title) with Snode, last year's winner, second. In spite of that, Spode's optimism runs high. "If everything goes well for me" he said, "I really believe I could



Christopher Snode: plans to add to Edmonton medals in Olympics.

win the three metre gold medal in Moscow. In the high board I'd need a lot of luck, because the ten metres is not part of college competition over here and we have no high board in Gaines-ville ".

One's principal emotions, as be went through the daily round, were divided between admiration and envy, admiration for the splendid impression he has created splendid impression he has created from unpromising beginnings and envy for the full and exhibitating life he leads among so many sunkissed contemporaries. But let us not dwell too much on his apparent luck. He could not have achieved the standard that set up the good life without years of dedicated work at home under

60 day ba on Green The Maryland Boxing slon's decision to suspe Green for 60 days carries weight in Britain, altho most certainly follow the mendation of another

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CAUVAS. The suspension is gesture, however, it out officially in Maryland Green certainly has mengagements) and while be honoured brain in B everywhere else unde Boxing Council authority no prospect of Green, wingst again within 60 dg. Although Green was be fully in possession of ties in the dressing room contest by the Maryland ston medical officer, he advised to have a compinate examination on everywhere else logical examination on to England. He is curren a short holiday with hin America. When he cohe will be subjected series of tests before is discussed.

Dr Adrian White British Board's medica sald yesterday, "This w said yesterday, "This was brain scan, ECG and has to have this every way. It is mandatory fo in the WBC ton tan". son said he would de spect the Maryland sus Green. "So would Ar and Green himself," he

ranked third and Mwale sixth by the WBA.

Gregory, who has knocked out 30 of his 41 opponents while losing only four times, said he was in no hurry to meet the WBC champion, Matthew Saad Muhammad, to unify the title. "I've already beaten him," Gregory said, referring to a split decision he scored over Muhammad on March 11, 1977—the last defeat inflicted on the WBC champion.

"I've invited him to fight me again and the invitation is still Bread and b tomorrow at "I've invited him to fight me again and the invitation is still open, but I'm happy to leave the title divided for a time while we both make some money as champions," Gregory said. "I worked too hard to win this title and, now that I've got it, nobody is going to take it away."

A skilled, methodical counterpuncher, equally explosive with both hands, Gregory credited Mutammad Ali for helping improve his mental attitude. "I have to thank my main man, Muhammad Ali." he said. "He taught me that I could do it when vesterday's Colin Jones, the m welterweight champion, a holiday in Majorca, a rest from boxing and and-butter bouts before

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Britain's Olympic diving hope dazzles under the Florida sun

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have found that money not ensure success on the

iers of the European Cup-rs' Cup, Barcelona were ed out of the competition onth by their Spanish rivals ia. They are also out of canish Cup and are having their worst sessons in the for more than 30 years. the prospect of no mane ig European football next ag European football man, and torn apart by internal; the club replaced their er last month. In this case, anager Enrique Rife, was d to rechnical adviser, next day Barcelona news-theadlined the return of the return club hero, littlening, who guided Barcelona to the leant and cum doubte.

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his short and successful in charge of Barcelona, went to Internazionale, where he perfected a new e system and helped the club to win the European lee in the mid-sisties. ser, the Argentine-born 's career eventually de-ind when he suffered a tack six years ago many his connexion with first obail was over. But the a directors gambled and the 63-year-old "magic-be is known here, back

celona, April 2.—Most to Spain in the hope that he supporters agree that Barmight halt the side.

It is the country's richest Football in this sprawling, in all club. But the wealthy destrial city is more than into Football in this sprawling, in-distrial city is more than just a sport. "When Barcelona bear Rea! Madrid, all Catalonia re-joices", one supporter said, re-terring to the north-eastern re-gion's traditional distike of the central capital. Central capital.

These nationalistic pressures are reflected in the club which has spent millions in any currency on top class players suc has Johan Crayff Indon Assessment Lineau Crayff. on top class players suc has Johan Cruyff. Johan Neeskens and Hans Krankl in an anompt to emerge from the shadow of Real Madrid. Since the days of Herrers, Barcelona have won the Spanish League ritle only three times compared with the 13 by Real, who can also boast an incomparable total of six European Cup wins.

"I cannot reveal my plans yet, total of six European Cup wine.

"I cannot reveal my plans yet, but obtionsy I intend to make Barcelona the linest team in the world", he said recently. "We shouldn't need to wait too long hecause this club has the economic potential to buy both Spain's and the world's best players."

With an annual budget of \$13.5m and an attendance of 90.000 when the going is good, there Is no doubting the substance of Herrera's words.

He said his first task was to persuade Krank! to return to Barcelona after his departure this year after bitter disegreements with the previous manager.

The Austrian World Cup star was the top scorer in Spain last season and his goals helped Barce-



Krankl: On the run from Barcelona, but could find his way back.

Iona to win the Cup Winners' Cup, his position was taken by Roberto, signed from a Brazilian Club. But three months later Roberto returned home after failing to produce the instant success that Barcelona demand.

Herrera, now on an initial three-month contract, said: "It is pre-mature to talk too much of the future but I would like to see Krankl and Allan Simonsen [Bar-celona's other foreign import] to-

gether. I'm sure the attack would immediately benefit and start to score goals".

One Barcelona supporter shook his head when discussing the current fortunes of a club still current fortunes of a club stiff searching for their first away win of the season. "We've all heard this sort of talk before but I sup-pose 'the Maglcian' is our best chance of putting Barcelona hack where they helong—at the top", he said.—Reuter.

erpool bounce back and to United's problems

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st Stoke City on Tuesst Stoke Ci es Birmingham closed the gap on the second division leaders. Chelsea, in beating Oldham.

No side can afford to drop points at home if they are spriving for the top of their division, so Sheffield Wednesday must have rued the fact they could only share two goals with Reading. Still, 20,678 people turned up, the best gate of all barring Liverpool, and Hillsborough is well on the way to housing the big crowds of old match after match. Sheffield United against Sheffield Wednesday ought to brighten things up day ought to brighten things up at Bramall Lane on Saturday too.

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Worthington's suspension is upset for Birmingham was banned for two games by a Welsh FA disciplinary commission ofter reaching 20 penalty points. The suspension starts next Tuesday

Birmingham City's hopes of pro-motion from the second division were dealt a blow yesterd which their striker. Frank Wortaington, after reaching 20 penalty points. The suspension starts next Tucsday and means Dwyer, aged 22, will miss Wrexham's games with Swansea on April 12 and against Leicester the following Saturday. David Webb, the former Southampton and Chelsea defender, now with Derby Coanty, has applied for the Bournemouth coaching job, following Fred Davies's departure to Blackpool. Bournemouth are interested in a player-coach to take over from the manager. Alec Stock, when his contract expires in two years' time.

Grotham Hawkins, the former assistant manager at Port Vale, is seeking compensation from the fourth division club for alleged unfair dismissal. His case will be heard by an industrial tribunal at Shrewsbury later this month. Hawkins, aged 34, a former Wolverhampton, Preston and Blackbarn player, is now youth coach at Stoke City. their striker. Frank Worthington, collected a two-match ban. The former England forward, who had amassed 30 penalty points, was suspended by an FA commission in London and is ruled our of two-Easter games, at Queen's Park Rangers on Saturday and at home to West Ham on Monday.

The Norwich striker, Fashann, was also banned for reaching 30 points. His one-match suspension means he will miss Saturday's East Anglian derby game at Ipswich.

Four players, however, earned reprieves. Hurst of Oldham, Lewis (Crewe), Branagan (Blackburn

reprieves. Burst of Oldham, Lewis (Crewe), Branagan (Blackburn Rovers) and Kennedy (Halifax) had all collected 20 points but escaped with warnings. Lewis, Branagan and Kennedy were also "severely censured", but none of them was banned because of their good records this senson.

A Wrexham defender, Dwyer.

Today's fixtures Second division Bristol Rovers y Fulham Charlton y Luton Wrexbam y Burnley

Third division Blackburn v Hull City v Barnslev Fourth division Darlington v Boncaster (3.15)

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SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Middand division: Chellenham v Bedworth (7.30); RUGBY UNION: Aberavon v Northampion (6.30); Birkenhed Park v Waigs: Camborne v Coventry (6.0); Plymorth v Barharlans (3.30); Plymorth v Olley (7.15); Tredegar v Pontypridd (7.0).

Rugby Union

Davies leads Cardiff and cheers Lions

Gareth Davies will lead Cardiff against the Barbarians on Saturagainst the Barbarians on Satur-day in his first match since being injured in the international against Scotland. The Lions selectors, who have asked most of their players to take a rest before the touring party leaves, will be glad that the stand-off is back in action, for his is likely to be a key role in South Arica.

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Also returning to the Cardiff side is Andrew Yeardile, a winger, who has been out for ten matches with a hamstring injury.

The Barbarians upen their four programme against Penirth on Good Friday. The club side welcome back Mike Kuill, their captain and former international, who has been out for three matches. He was a member of the Barbarians side that lost 36—30 to Penarth four years ago, and only Joe Davis and Henry Bohlen remain of that side in the Penarth team which will take the field tomorrow.

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David Richards, Swansea's first choice stand-off, will turn out against the Barbarians at St Helens on Monday and also wants to play in the Welsh Cup final against Bridgend on April 26, although this is only a week before he is due to leave for South Africa. Swansea's other British Lion, Clive Williams, a prop, has not yet made a decision about the final, but Gordon Morris, the club chairman, stresses that no pressure will be put on either player.

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Playing their last game hefore the tour for Llanelli, against Northampton on Saturday, will be Ray Graveil, a centre, and Derek Quinnell. a number cight. The club's order Lion, the versatile Peter Morgan, will be a member of the Barbarians party.

Experiment is the watchword at Aberavon, who have lost their last six minches, and for the visit of Northampton on Friday they include four newcomers aged 19 or 20. Steve Dodd plays at centre on permit from Neath Athletic and there are Dylan Davies, a prop on vacation from Loughborough Colleges, and Mark Gorecki, on loan from the Mumbles Club, who is also a prop. A permit is also being sought from Kensig Hill for David Price, a lock forward.

Newport have their customary Easter programme of three home games—Moseley on Saturday, London Welsh on Monday and the Barbarians on Tuesday. Rhys Morgan, the vice-captain, who has just finished an eight-week suspension made his comeback against Hawick on Monday.

Pontypool have visits from Nuneaton, Leicester and South Wales Police. No tewer than four players have now topped 100 points this season for Pontypool, Peter Lewis, full back, with 259. Steve Evans (25 tries) and Paul Crabree, both wingers, and Nigel Osborne, the scrum half (30 tries).

Bennett at Penarth

The Barbarians team to pray Penarth tomorrow in the opening match of their Easter tour will include Phil Bennett, who has been added to the party but will only play in one match.

TEAM: K. O'Brien (Broughton Park): N. J. Preston (Richmond). P. Donige (Luicester). P. Morgan (Lichetti, D. M. Wyan, Baib). P. Beanett (Linetti, D. M. Wyan, Baib). P. Beanett (Linetti, D. M. Grand). M. Carada). Tield McGregor (Saracen). R. Housen The Barbarians team to play enarth tomorrow in the opening

Alistair Hignell (Bristol, Roland Bertranne (Bagneres) and J. R. Beattie (Glasgow Academicals) have withdrawn from the party and their places are taken by Michel Aguirre (Bagneres), Steve Munro (Avr) and Andy Ripley (Rosslyn Park).

Paint company first to back international

By Peter Walker

Welsh rugby will benefit by £25,000 as a result of the sale of the publicity rights to the Wales v New Zealand game at the National Stadium on November 1. This match will be the focal point of the WRU's centenary scason and, as a result of a commercial link with Crown Paints, the game will become the first-ever sponwill become the fit sored international, At yesterday's announcement,

At yesterday's announcement, the centenary committee's chairman, K. M. Harris, said: "We are delighted that such a major British company has set the ball rolling in support of our centenary year which promises a least of rughy worthy of 100 years of our national sport." The giant paint group, mainly based in the northern part of the

based in the northern part of the country, are laying out a triffing amount, in terms of their overall advertising budget of 52m, for the privilege of having the game known as the "Crown Paints centenary match". The game will be televised throughout the United kingdom, as well as abroad, and will attract considerable publicity before company, will also be company will also

granted two prime advertising sites at the National Stadium in Cardiff and, nearer the match itself, will be running a unional competition which will have match tickets as prizes; in Wales,

a sure way of guaranteeing the competition's success.

There is no question of them having any say in the way the game is staged, nor will they be allowed to place a motif on the players' track suits or playing kit.

By the time the centenary season starts next September, the WRU's overdraft, caused largely by the substantial ground improvements made in the last five years, will be in the region of years, will be in the region of 2850,000. The Crown Paint involve-

ment, other sponsorship and com-mercial deals still in the pipeline, should enable the union to pay most of that off by this time next year.

Commenting on his company's decision to support rugby in this way—Crown Paints are already involved in horse racing through its Crown Plus Two apprentice its Crown Plus Two apprentice championship, now in its eighth year—the managing director, Peter Burns, said: "We are proud to be associated with the Welsh Rugby Umon and look forward to a superb match between two of the world's greatest rugby nations."

This new initiative by the WRU could be a pointer to more general sponsorship, perhaps even for the domestic championship itself. Certainly the balance seems to have been well struck in this inaugural venture. As Gwyn Roblin, president of the WRU, said: "The hand that gives is also entitled to be the hand that gathers".

Double mission Murphy moots for Bristol in international their big match panel of referees Bristol have a double mission when they clash with Bath in the west country's big match at the Memorial Ground on Saturday. Their 21—6 win over Exeter on Tuesday night has put them on top of the south west merit table and they need to win to be certain of staying there. They are also out to avenge a 38—17 defect in October when their hooker Bogira was sent off before they were destroyed by three tries from winger Trick on his debut. Bath, who are second in the

Auckland, April 2.—Pat Murphy, one of New Zealand's most experienced referees, wants to see an international panel of Rugby Union referees. He will put Rugby Union referees. He will put his plans to the annual conference of the New Zealand Rugby Referees. Association, which begins here on Friday.

Mr Murphy said that if the appointment of independent referees was to become a normal part of international Rugby Board should establish the one-tring system He

his debut.

Bath, who are second in the merit table, also beat Exeter last Saturday 19—4, but they will be facing opponents, who will be without their England full back Hignell whose unhappy season has now been ended by an ankle injury. John takes his place and Rafter is recalled to the pack.

Bath, who warm my against establish the operating system. He believes that an IRB referees' appointment board should be set up to meet annually, with each IRB country supplying a member. Each IRB country would submit two referees for the panel, he two referees for the panel, he said, making nominations every two years. The board could make direct appointments for internationals or could submit a panel to a touring team.

As tours were known in advance, Mr Murphy said, appointments could be made yearly and nonmembers of the IRB would be encouraged to use referees from the panel. He suggested that a 1 per cent levy on international Bath, who warm by against Glamorgan Wanderers tonight, expect to be without their stand-off half, skipper and driving force

against Cardiff.

Bath will be without their winger Wyatt on Saturday as he is also with the Barbarians and Flanker Spurrell who will be working on his farm.

Bristol's captain Fry said:

"This could be the match of the season. Bath are a great running side and everyone points out they have scored 11 3tries. What they forget is that we are on the 140 mark." ate takings would finance the sending of referees to Internationals.—Reuter.

Carleton resigns

John Carleton, the Orrell and England winger, yesterday resigned his teaching job in orde tto be able to tour South Africa with the British Lions this summer. Carleable to tour South Africa with the British Lions this summer. Carleton, aged 24, who lives in Orrell, was refused leave of absence to tour by the predominantly Labour-controlled Wigan metropolitan borough council.

"I am handing in my resignation today as it has now become ton, aged 24, who lives in Orrell, was refused leave of absence to tour by the predominantly Labour-controlled Wigan metropolitan borough council.

the council v John Carleton."
Carleton said. He will leave his pust as a PE teacher at a local high school on May 3. He added :

"! don't see it as a conflict and don't see it as a conflict and want to leave on amicable

Rugby League

Reduction of ban frees Woods for final

By Keith Macklin

After a 90 minute hearing that must have seemed like an eternity, the Hull full back Paul Woods yesterday emuted a sigh of relief that sounded like air issuing from that sounded like air issuing from a punctured tyre. Woods, the fiery little man from Pontypool, had just heard that a two-match reduction of a nine-match total of suspensions will, just, enable him to play in the Challenge Cup final at Wembley on May 3.

The whole hearing was charged with tension, as a grim-faced Woods and two Hull directors wanted outside the committee room. Mathematics and fixture calculations were frequently bandied about and it was agreed that, there are a minimum of seven matches between now and Wembley, five League games one Premiership tie and an "A" team game. With the suspension reduced Premiership the and an "A Team game. With the suspension reduced from nine to seven, Woods makes every player's dream appearance only by a majority verdict of 2—1 from the appeals committee.

Woods admitted when he had regained his composure that he had seriously considered retiring from the game had the appeal gone against him, so binter would have been his disappointment at missing out on Wembley. Woods will certainly miss out on tomorrow's rehearsal for the Humberside Cup final, the all-ticket-Hull KR v Hull game at Craven Park. Since neither team will be anxious to give too much away it is likely that there will be several other notable absentees from the match, with key players kept under wraps.

Nevertheless it is an important game in terms of championship placings, and will be contested, with all the accustomed ferocity. Good Friday is traditionally a day Good Friday is traditionally a day for derbies and the other first division fixtures will help resolve important issues. St Helens, straving for a top four place, go into their game with Wigan under the shadow of the fact that their coach, Eric Ashton, the Lancashies and England coach, has stated that he intends to give up the St Helens job at the end of the season. Wigan face almost certain-relegation if they lose.

Leeds can dent Bradford Northern's hopes of the championship. there's hopes of the championship, and slightly enhance their own, by winning at Headingley, while at

widning at Headingley, while at Warrington the home side fight, desperately for a top eight play-off position and Widnes seek two-points to maintain their challenge to Bradford Northern.

The Rugby League Conneil is expected to make a decision on barricades and fencing for the Wembley final at a meeting with the stadium authorities in about an week.

Fred Lindop, the 42-year-old Wakefield referee, will handle the final. Reserve referee will be Bi. w. Thompson (Huddersfield). It will-be Lindop's second final, he was in charge of the Castleford v. Wigan match in 1970.

Marina re-opens

damageo the Hoaping Dreakwaters-Several younger members of the Royal Northern and Clyde, the' third oldest yacht club in Britain, have acquired equipment such 'as a boat hoist, chandlery and a teak, a boat hoist, chandlery and a teak, imaged the floating breakwaters.

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popponents tomorrow will be the Unicoms and on Saturday they have a match against the Lady-killers, an obvious stimulant for the sees as far apart as landuduo and Bourne-likestone that the best or seen and it is the red by the leading. Whereas the bookey is generally light-loikestone it is stern eligitueen clubs will the water for the there starting to-moon at the spacious pared pitches on the d Sports ground and londay afternoon. Its can rub shoulders is and Ladykillers can looking whiter in the mit is enriched every Old Dragons who, in 100th 3ame at the threaty, have selected mis as the opposition of the showleder have gone to Barcelona for a four-national competition, Folkestone is a useful training ground. The English and German under-21 sides have gone to Barcelona for a four-nations tournament but the Dutch and Irish inniors are at Folkestone where some clubs hoping to play in the European championship at Barcelona next month are taking part. These in morth are taking part. These in morth are taking part. These in morth are taking part. These of Elejams.

The 40 unipies expected at Folkestone include two women. Consisting Asselman, from Answerp and Margot Bart, of Glasgow, for an event in which 124 matches will be played over four days. Although no medels epe at stake there is some distinction in emerging with hundred per cent records for which teams go flat out even if they are banished from the main grounds to the Arctic waxes around the corner known as North-West II.

One team, the Bukhogs, a side drawn from the East under-21 party, will be venturing beyond the familiar hockey map to take part in an international competition, Folkestone is a useful training ground. The English and German under-21 stides have gone to Barcelona or a four-national competition, Folkestone is a useful training ground. The English and German under-21 more language in the European championship at Barcelona previous of Elejams.

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Kelvie respondent were far too strong ugh in the final of Rackets Champion-James and Andrew at Anthony Naylor Wallow by 15—10, 3, 15—8 to give eir first win in this eir first win in this 46. With the excep-

rst game was over, not exactly the match was predici their opponents.
I points that Wellcame direct from an historical basis gest that in a com-

However, rallies were few and brief and what there were truded to be slogging bours. Naylor, the Marlborough first string appeared subdued if not cowed. He must have realised that his young partner Swallow was out of his depth, being desperately vulnerable to anything fast. There was little Naylor could do to help and consequently he was below his best and twice served his hand out.

Only once did Marlborough look like making a battle of it.
That was in the third game when
Naylor largely through his own
efforts brought Mariborough back
from 4—13 to 13—13 only to deliver a weak service that was immediately killed. Briefly Wellington looked shaky but Marlborough were incapable of taking

advantage of that. advantage of IDAL

RESULTS: Schools Rackets Doubles chamolonship—final round: Wellmaton IA C. Maillingon and R. A. C. Maillingon and R. A. C. Maillingon brill Maribocough (A. J. Naylor and M. S. C. Swallow, IS—10, 15—10, 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—18; 16—19; 16—18; 16—19

son' Stoines v Barting: Woking v Croydon. Tilbury v Dagenham.

stick shortage

FREDERIKSHAVN, Donmark: Europeen Junior championship, group Denmark 13, Britain 1, Denmark title.

Rugby Correspondent
When writing several wasks ago
about schoolhoy rugby I referred
to an article by "Medical
Adviser" in the magazine School
Sport which queried whether in
the provious issue the headmaster
of Gresham's School, Mr Logie
Bruce Lockhart, had been justified in suggesting that one particularly grievous deck injury had
caused understandable overreaction. Having contributed half a
dozen pieces to that magazine—

tion. Having contributed half a dozen pieces to that magazine—all of them upholding the highest standards of sportsmanship and attacking thuggery in all its forms—Mr Bruce Lockhart was saddened to see lifted from its context what he regarded as the only sentence that could have been taken amiss. Since, by careless implication, I attributed this to his brother, Rab, who won three Scottish caps a decade or so before Logic acourted the first of his.

Logic acquired the first of his, in 1948. I am happy now to make

The distressing incident refer-red to had occurred in an old boys

red to had occurred in an old boys match at Christ's Hospiral. In an article entitled "The right to run risks" Mr Bruce Lockhart had agreed to most of the points raised by "Medical Adviser" for minimizing the risk of neck injuries, but disagreed that all matches between schoolboys and men should be abandoned.

men should be abandoned. In Mr Bruce Lockhart's view,

come amends.

For the record

Russians blame

Moscow, April 2.—A shortage of ice hockey sticks in the Soviet Union may help to explain the national side's surprise defeat by the United States to the Lake Placid Winter Olympics, according to the team manager, Viktor Tikhonov.

behind other countries in uniting covered ice rinks and producing ice hockey equipment. Sticks
were in such short supply that
man yup-and-coming players hesitated to fight for the possession
of the puck because they were
afraid of damaging their sticks.—

Tennis

Hockey

lla) best W. Gilmour (Australia), ?—6, 6—1; S. Ball (Australia) best S. Carmshan (US), 6—4, 6—4; C. Milter (Australia) best C. Johnstone (Austra-lia), 6—4, 6—2; M. Guelthardt

Australia best G. Johnstone A. (Bulterstand) best P. Cau M. Gun (Australia) 6-3. 6-4; J. (Japan) best K. Tanabe (Japan) 6-4; R. Evelt (US) best N. T. (Japan) 6-4; 2-6. 6-5; J. (Japan) 6-4; 2-6. 6-5; J. (Japan) 6-5; J. W. (Japan) 6-5; J. (Japan) 6-6; J. (

Football

ANNES: International gouth tourna-it: France 3. Romania 0: Ireland 3. mott France 3, Romania 0: Feland 3, US 22 RICH: International match: Switzerland 2, Groce 0 Olympic qualifying fournament Turkey 0 Yugoslavia 1. BUCHAREST: Exhibition match: Romania 2, East Germany 2. RUGBY UNION: 16 group schools mornational: Wales 3. England 7 (at Cardin):

Ice Hockey

Cricket

The long search

Warwickshire have ended their long search for a top-class slow bowler. Dilip Doshi, the Indian

Warwickshire already have two overseas players in Anton Ferreira, of South Africa, and Alvin Kallicharran, of West Indies, but Kallicharran is likely to be on his country's tour of England for much of this summer.

ends with Doshi

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attle of the dukes

Nichols, Mark and vo pairs from the all from Malvern, ns are the only to have won the

notably James heavyweight class those two great

Ice hockey

He blamed inadequate facilities for youth teams and warned that the Soviet Union was lagging behind other countries in build-

By Peter West Rugby Correspondent
When writing several

rugby clubs should be abandoned and that old boys' sides should be carefully chosen and briefed. He returns to the subject in the latest issue of School Sport under the heading "More about risk.".

There were two fatal rejuries

and three more injuries leading to permanent paralysis between 1942 and 1968. One, Mr Bruce Lockhart asserts, is too much, but it should be borne in mind

that in public schools alone

without counting state schools, club coits or prep schools, there must have been many million games of rugby during these years. How many people fell downstairs? How many skiing presidents were there?

accidents were there? How many people fell off mountains? How

many deaths by drowning were there, or deaths through fires in

He concedes that "Medical Advisor" has rightly pointed to a clear lucrease in rugby injuries in the past five years. "But surely

in the past five years. "But surely this cannot be due to any increase in old boys' matches or fixtures between schoolboys and adults?

the home?'

In Mr Bruce Lockhart's view, demonstration teams like those from St Mary's Hospital ran by Tommy Kemp, a former England international, did more than anything else to counter violent rugby. Such teams agreed to foreswear the use of penalties at goal; they kept to the law and spirit front rows, foul or dangerous

A headmaster and former Scottish international believes that seniors can help not harm schoolboys

Athletics

Reducing risk of rugby injury at school of the game; they agreed never to exploit purely physical supperiority; they made the ball do the work and they proved that glorious attacking rugby was possible without any element of riolence. A whole generation of schoolboys was inspired by the approach that such teams taught. Mr. Bruce Lockhart also agreed in the same article that fixtures between schools and rough local rugby clubs should be abandoned.

But the advice that old boys' Referees are losing the courage to send players off for punches, high tackles and ruking, and they are, only just beginning to get the message about blowing the whistle early enough at scrums, mauls, and meta.

"But the advice that old boys' and invitation fixtures should be cancelled is wrong. The medical officers' warnings were distributed by some of us this season to members of these adult reams, and that were reminded of the and they were reminded of the they have so admirably carried out to demonstrate to boys bow skilled and non-violent rugby can prevail over brute force and ignorance. A well selected team consisting of first class players comes down to show boys how skill, speed and technique can lead to high scoring. . . Even in the front row, such a team will be able to teach without risk, to dominate without bullying, to get the ball without physical intimida-

Mr Bruce Lockbart asserts that he is not in favour of unnecessary risks and that the responsibility of a headmester who knows that by his negligence he may inflict grievous suffering on others is a formidable one indeed. "But you cannot avoid all risk. . A public school is a kind of club. Parents school is a kind of club. Farents and children who join it know that it seeks to develop courage and initiative. Fun and enterprise connot flourish in any institution that wraps itself in cotton wool. Put up too many fences round

your life and you end by shutting out life itself.

Boys of 17 and 18 must be let off the leash a little if they arc to become men, and if they are not to react by creating their own risks in the world of motorbikes or drugs or crime. No one would wish to climb a mountain if a risk-proof mountain climbing machine were developed; no one world order of the mountain to the mountain or mountain the second order of the mountain or mountain the second order of the mountain the second order of the second order orde machine were developed; no one would enjoy skiing so much if the breathtaking possibility of high speed crashes were legally or scientifically eliminated. It is quality of life that matters and without some risk that quality fades."

Since this article appeared in

print there has been a most dis-tressing incident at the Rosslyn tressing incident at the Rosslyn Park schools sevens when the Handovery captain was taken to hospital with an injury that left him paralysed from the chest downwards. Mr Bruce Lockhart, whose son, Duncan, was playing for Greshams School in this tournament (and is now a member of the England 19-group side) tournament (and is now a mem-ber of the England 19-group side) stys he was appalled to hear about the injury. "It appears to have happened as the result of a tackle between two boys of the same age and, alas, none of us—school-masters, coaches or medical offi-cers—can do anything to guard against this sort of accident which cers—can do anything to guard against this sort of accident, which mercifully is so extremely rare, without forbidding our charges to play the game at all," he said. Such accidents, as already stressed, can happen anywhere. Sadly a member of the Cavendish School side, returning home from the same sevens tournament, sufthe same sevens tournament, suffered exactly the same injury when his team's mini coach over-

Horton. He is joining the Bar-barians on their Welsh tour and will only play for Bath if he is not picked for Saturday's game against Cardiff.

Plymouth Albion have a packed

Easter programme at Beacon Park, their holiday period kicks off at 7.15 pm tomorrow with a visit from northern newcomers Otley. Nottingham are the guests on the program of the program and the program of the program and the program and the program of the

Easter Saturday afternoon and the UAU provide the traditional Easter Monday game (11.00).

Former St Boniface College lock Pinnigar whose powerful play helped Exeter reach the final of the Universities Cup this season makes his debut against Otley

bowler. Dilip Doshi, the Indian left-arm spinner, is to join them on a one-year contract for the new season.

Doshi, who has played in 13 Test matches and taken 46 wickers, is expected to arrive at Edgbasson in three weeks' time. He has played in the county champion-ship for Nottinghamshire being released in 1078 because their released in 1978 because their overseas registrations were taken up by Richard Hadlee and Clive

Tennis

Mediterranean sun shines only briefly for Connors

Monte Carlo, April 2

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The world rankings suggest that there are 71 better tennis players than Jean-François Caujolle, a left-bander from Marseilles. One of them is Jimmy Comnors, ranked third. But today Caujolle came back from 3-5 down in the first set to beat Connors, 7-6, 6-2 and thus reach the last eight of the Monte Carlo tournament which its part of the Volvo Grand Prix Series and the World Champion-Bidy Tennis circuit.

The best tennis player in Monaco is Biorn Born, who finds this a more agreeable home than his native Sweden, His four leading challengers for world is norenacy (though Roscoe Tanner neight contest the point) decided ir mient he fun to tackle Born in his own backyard on his favourite surface, slow clay. So John McEnnoe, Conners, Guillermo Vilas, and Vitas Gerulaitis put in a lot of flying hours so that they could play in Borg's local tournament—and enloy some Meditarannean sunshine at a time of year when it is particularly welcome.

One of the odd things about the

welcome.
One of the odd things about the Monte Carlo Country Clob is that it is not in Monte Carlo, nor even in Monaco. Tennis demands cer-In Monaco. Tennis demands certain areas of level ground and there is not much of that in Monaco. So the courts are just across the border in France, where they have been hacked out of a brudging terrain and granged in liers on a craggy, wooded hillside that drops steeoly to the sea.

What with the hills, the palms and confers, the bageh below and the dinchies drifting lazily across the bay, this must be the loveliest

Tanner serves

way to victory

Average Court of the Court of a \$75,000 grand prix fournament here last night.

Tanger served 10 accs and Van Cillen managed to the order of the Court of the Cou

Dillen managed to win only force points on his opponent's service in the match. Tanger will play

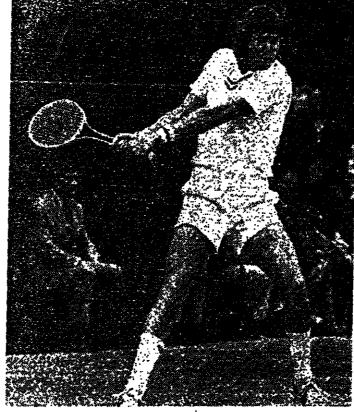
with ten aces

setting in the world for a tournament of this stature. No wonder the holders of every big title in the game fell for the temptation to assemble here and find out wast Borg and the Riviera had to say to them.

Connors and McEnroe are new-comers here and, frankly, fit into Country and McEnroe are newcomers here and, frankly, fit into
the scene about as well as vinegar
mixes with wine. But Connors is
the meed States clay court champion and McEnroe is still learning his trade—or, as far as clay
courts are concerned, learning it
all over again. He was familiar
erough with clay in his youth but
has since lost touch with it. As
alted States champion McEnroe is
king of the hard courts. Now he
wants the French championship,
on clay, and Wimbledon, on grass.
Caujolle, by contrast with
Connors, is thoroughly at ease in
the South of France. He has always been slightly outside the
mainstream of French tennis and
has also bad some problems with
his health. But when he is feeling strong and playing well.
Caujolle can be a test for almost
anvone—as Connors found out at
Wimbledon last year. On slow clay
Caujolle's taste for music and
painting can be expressed in
leisurely, artistic turns. He began
this tournsment on his 27th birthday and today he played well to
come from behind in the first set
and never looked in trouble in
the second.
Connors is still capable of great
tennis bur at another place,

Connors is still capable of great contors but at another place, another time. Today he mostly looked a long way from home. Caujolle was very much chez sol.

Even without Connors the lineup for the last eight of the singles looks exciting: Borg v José Luis Clerc, Gerulaids v Hans Gilde-



Connors: another time, another place to show that old

melster, Tomas Smid v Caujolle, and Vilas or Bill Scanlon v Corrado Barrazzutti or McEnroe, who will be a good deal wiser in the lore of Enropean clay courts by the time he confronts Borg on Sunday—assuming both deal with their intervening difficulties. MEN'S SINGLES, first roomd: J.
M.Enroo (US) brat K. Warwick
(Australia), 6—2.6—2. Second round:
B. Borg (Sweden) beal I. Lendi
(Czechoslovakia) 6—2.6—2. H.
Gildemoister (Chile) beat U. Pinner
(W Germany), 6—3. 6—0: T. Snid
(Czechoslovakia) beat V. Pocci (Para-

quay), 6—3, 6—1; V. Gerulaitis (US) beat R. Gehring (W Germany), 6—0 6—5; J. F. Caujolis (France) bes J. S. Connors (US), 7—6, 6—2.

Safari for 61 cars

Nairobi, April 2.-Sixty-one cars are expected to start the 5,510 kilometres long Kenya Safari Rally here tomorrow. Shekhar Mehta, the bolder, will be first away in his Datsun 1601.—Reuter.

Storming back to the rain cheque event

John McEnroe, after a stormy possege last vear, will return to defend his singles title in the \$50,070 Stella Artois grand prix tournament at Queen's Club. London, starting on June 9. Roscoe Tenner, the besten finalist at Wimbledon last summer, is also in a top-class field challenging for the first prize of just over \$8,000. Last year's tournament was the

Last year's tournament was the first major sporting event to give spectators their money back if had Leonard, another American, escend round roday, large resound round roday, large resource reso

Clive Bernstein, the tournament director, expects that most of the world's leading players would support the event after the recent temyear agreement between the Lawn Tennis Association and the Association of Tennis Professionals, the players' trade union. "Those players who do not participate at Oneon's will, as last year, be devied macrice facilities year, be decied practice facilities at the club throughout the Wimbledon period." he said.

Richard Lewis, the British Davis Cup international, who has been out of action since injuring a knee in a charity football match last December, will return to competition in the Debenbams Cumberland Club hard court

London, on April 14.

Lewis, aged 24, is one of three British internationals in the strongest entry the tournament has had for several years. He joins Mark Cox and Robin Drysdale among an entry of 150 for the men's singles, which will be reduced after the qualifying stages to a first-round draw of 64.

Thirteen from the LTA's top-ranked 20 will be playing. The women's event is just as strong, with 15 of Britain's leading players taking part, including the Wightman Cop caps, Anne Hobbs (Cheshire), Jo Durle (Devon), Debbie Jevens (Esser) and Lesley Charles (Worcestershire).

Athletics

Walker will run only if he is in top gear

Anckland, April 2. -- John Walker, the Olympic 1,500 metres champion, said that he would not defend his title in Moscow unless he performed well in his build-up. Dogged by injury over the past two years, Walker said that if he was unable to do 3min 34sec for the 1,500 metres before the Games in July, he would be wasting his "even liming up" Moscow.

"I would need to be capable of that sort of time to have a chance of winning and unless I felt I was in that kind of form I wouldn't run", he said. The New Zealander, aged 28, who plans to restrict his competitive running before the Olympics to four or five meetings in Europe, had two complicated operations on his right leg in 1978 to relieve cramping in his calf muscle. "I am still bothered by my leg and cau't manage to run more than seven miles at a time", he added.

Alberto Juantorena, aged 29, of Cuba, is unifkely to defend his 400 metres title in Moscow, according to a report published in Havana by Cuban sports authorities. He won the 400m and 800m at the Montreal Olympics, setting world records in the process. His 300m record was beaten by Sebastian Coe, of Britain, last year.

Coe to link up with Nice party this month

Sebastian Coe, who has been training on his own in the Mediterranean sunshine for over two months this winter, will not be lost for company when he moves on from his secret training quarters to Nice later this mouth. He is to link up with some 120 athletes and coaches, the biggest British party to train abroad, from April 17 to 28.

The idea of going in strength came from Frank Dick, the director of coaching, who hopes that apart from the technical benefits, the trip will help to build team spirit before the start of the Olympic season. The trip to Nice is just one of several overseas training spells organized by the British Amareur Atuletic Soard and sponsored by the International Athletes Club, at around £35,000.

Cambridge find extra speed and confidence

By Jim Railton

While a faint question mark still in the opening minutes of a tough hangs over the Oxford University's in the opening minutes of a tough hangs over the Oxford University's inthe over Loudon this pace over a sour and a quartire mile race. So an early kill in the Oxford boat having been rested on Thesday afternoon, but he has, apparently, had a still he has, apparently, had a still has been under treatment.

So Cambridge are alive and well in the opening minutes of a tough contest, but it must be realized that they could not have sustained this pace over a sour and a quartire mile race. So an early kill in the oxford boat having been rested on Thesday afternoon, but have sustained the pace over a sour and a quartire mile race. So an early kill in the opening minutes of a tough contest, but it must be realized that pace over a sour and a quartire mile race. So an early kill in Saturday's race is clearly and the has, apparently, had a still line yesterday to Laddroke, sponsors of this year's Reat Rate, and removed the name 1-stante Sourt hack for the last week of so and has been under treatment.

Yesterday morning, during Oxford's outing, Emerton, who substituted for Mahoney on Tuesday, was in the Oxford launch which underlines the question marks.

While Oxford's major work in the

While Oxford's major work in the evening was a test piece against the British lightweights. Cambridge met London University who, in the Tideway two weeks ago, were just under six seconds and two piaces ahead of Oxford. Oxford have had their ups and downs against London University but, apart from the Head race, are generally considered to be laster, particularly in side by side racing. Yesterday's last fling by Cambridge was, therefore, of paramount importance in the Boat Race stakes and the Cambridge crew's adrenalin was really flowing when they lined up. Defeat for them yesterday would have been disastrous.

them yesternay would have been disastrons.

The craws rowed from the bottom of Chiswick Eyot on a building flood tide for four minutes. Cambridge took Middlesex with the initial bends against them. In the first two minutes Leadon took three-quarters of a length lead and then Cambridge changed seet.

and then Cambridge changed gear.

Just at the point where they had slumped dangerously in recent pieces, Cambridge made a burn and sliced through London. In the next 90 seconds, they rowed a three-quarters of a length deficit to a quarter-length lead. With the bend then coming Cambridge's way, they moved out to a convincing two-thirds of a length lead. This was an important psychological victory for Cambridge and it was reflected on their faces. In perdudar, the spurt in the third minute was impressive and intued at a possible Cambridge tactic in Saturday's Boat Race (4.45). Recent boat races have often been Recent boat races have often been wrapped up in the early minutes of the race and their performance yesterday indicated that Cambridge intend to be around for some flutend to be around for some flerce action, at least for the first mile of the race.

Leicestershire fined

Leicesurshire were vesterday fined £750 by the Test and County Cricket Board's disciplinary com-mittee for making an illegal approach to Tim Boon of York-shire.

Golf.

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not at 363 with 18 Navy, has been chose the members of the Colf team, it was London restenday. The other metals Party, created by Perpendicular to the Perpe logically in the minds of both camps.

Cambridge also met their deadline yesterday to Ladbroke, sponsors of this year's Boat Rate, and
removed the name Laisure Sport
from the bows of their borrowed
shell. Failure to do so would have
cost them over £1,000 a letter in
sponsorship next year. Donald Armour, Garry Willie McColl, Aircon be responsible for

It was at ultimation they could not refuse. Cambridge bows, are now left adopted with a Umph Jack and the Stars and Stripes. which is a fitting mibute to an Anglo-American Cambridge crew this year in their attempt to turn the tide against Oxford in the 126th Boat Race.

the fide against Oxford in the 125th Boat Race.

Cambridge ended the day with a moral advantage, for Oxford went-down to the British lightweight by a length and a quarter; just a quarter and a few feet more than Cambridge's deficit to be some crew less than the cambridge's deficit to be some crew less than the cambridge's deficit to be

inst a quarter and a lew age, more than Cambridge's deficit to he same crew last week.

In that race Cambridge led at the beginning and hear surrendered their advantage. Last night Oxford, i a row from just below Hammersmith Bridge to the University Stone, trailed all the way. The lightweights nook a length in 4 minutes and added, by the and of the race, another quarter. Oxford fought hard but were outcomed and outsquared. The only conclusion after yesterday's contest is the hypothesis I advanced at the beginning of Boat Race training on the Tidaway: there cannot be much betwee this year's crews. Today's outings: Oxford 10.0 and 4.15; Cambridge 9.0 and 1.0.

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Racing

New name in Ascoi NH calendar

Racing Correspondent
Ascot racecourse has just landed
an important carch. The final of

what used to be known as the Embassy Premier Steepicchese series will be run there in Jonuary instead of at Haydock Park. It will be now known as the Lambert and Butler Premier Steeplechase. With £20,000 added it will be the richest race in Ascor's National Hunt programme.

As Haydock the finel was won

such good horses as L.E. argot. Leapfrog, Border Incident and Silver Buck, Yesterday Christopher Cory, the managing director of the sponsors, W. D. & H. O. Wills, said: "Naturally we have real re-press leaving Haydock but I am confident that this new partner-ship between Lambert and Suiter and Ascat will the the series to

After all the cala that fell on the horse Tuesday only a course with good the end. Ordinage could have staged a race Earlier,

go ahead without a moment's anxiety. Derrizz Rose, ridden with great artistry and sang-freid by Andy Turnell, won the Berni lans Rurdle to record his third triumph in this country since his trainer, Alan Jarvis, paid as little as 55,000 for him at Paul in France, in February.

As a result of these successes Jarvis is now seriously contemplating taking Detring Rose back to Frace this summer for a crack at the Grande Course de Hajes d'Aurenil the French equivalent d'Auteuil, the French equivalent of tur Champion Hurdle which is run over yesterday's distance of three miles. Derring Rose's only failure here at Cheltenham was due to a slipping saddle, which was not apparent at the time. Mount Rivers, who won easily that deep could only finish third. day, could only finish third

and Ascot will take the series to even greater successes."

During the last two years the final at Haydock has been lost to had westiver, only to be reopened and run there later. Prize mercy to next years series and for the series was not implied and the confidence. for next year's series and for the all that well and the confidence that has been increased.

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made an absolute hash of jumping the second last fence and paid for their curelesaness. This left Linden Lad in the lead pursued by Respectful and Dencing Brig. Ou the run in Dancing Brig was much the stronger and he wan quite comfortably. Dancing Brig was ridden by his owner, Tony Clay, who was wearing the colours carried successfully in the Whitbread Gold Cup 20 years ago by Plumber's Plain. That good horse was owned by his father. Fred.

Tony Clay did not take up riding seriously until three years ago and he was the first to admit that his ne was the first to admit that his survival yesterday owed not a little to the tutorship of his wife, Lydia. To put the result into perspective, it should be mentioned that Remigio beat Dancing Brig by 25 lengths when they last met, at Kempton in February; that would have probably been the margin again yesterday if only Remigio had stood up.



Easterby has come a long way from the days 30 years ago of £280 capital and a bicycle

Habton's Lord of the Manor plans his Easter attac

By Michael Seeley

Miles Henry Easterby, commonly known as Peter, and Sea Pigeon have a great deal in common "He's a machine. He's got a great zest for living", said the champion National Hunt trainer, talking about Pat Muldoon's fantastic 10-year-old gelding yesterday, "and be's versatile, as well." These words are equally applicable to one of the most remarkable the racing scene.

Like Polonius, Easterby knows Like Polonius, Easterby knows that brevity is the soul of wit. I remember a television interviewer raving about Sea Pigeon before the Northumberland Plate. After an interminable build-up, he leant forward and said earnestly. "Tell me, Peter, what is it that makes. Sea Pigeon such a giant, a horse apart from all others?" A 20-second pause and then came the one word "ability". The timing was immaculate, and the next question was a long time coming!

On another occasion, Mr

On another occasion, Mr his wits ", was the reply, And Champion Hurdles and the Chelthose wits have been inherited to the full by both Peter and his biggest prizes in steeplechas20 to one outsider from the brother Mick.

trainer's stable had beaten its stable companion, the favourite, younger days. The north riding Pigeon to gain revenge on Monks.

at Thirsk. A bus load of miners arrived from Barusley, and one of them asked, "Who do those horses beloag to?" "Them's Easterby's." "Those twisting baskets: they conide't lie straight in bed", came the response. Peter removed his pipe from his mouth, looked furtively around for nonexistent listeners, and then whispered in the man's ear, "Aye. They've got a rum name round here, too."

The parable of the talents is

Now Lord of the Manor at Habton in the Vale of Pickering. Mr Easterby started training 30 years ago with £280 as capital and a bicycle as his only conveyance.

"I got a lift down to Newmarket with the late Bill Dutton, and spent the £280 on three yearlings. I came back in a horse box, then in a furniture van, and finally, in a bus. But I sold the yearlings at a profit, and I was on my way."

Peter's futher, William, was a day. The parable of the talents is not exactly synonymous with the story of Peter and Mick, for each man has, made the most of himself, but of hard work allied to Yorkshire shrevduess, but now farm extensively.

Neither man's record with Mrs McCardy and the sprinter's tunic and the sprinter's tunic with Lochnager; Peter is well on his way to his second Netional Hunt trainer's championship and at a probit, and I was on my way."
Peter's futher, William, was a small farmer and dealer. "How did he manage?", I asked. "On his wits", was the reply. And those wits have been inherited to the full by both Peter and his hoother Mick.

last year he won over £100,000 in prize money on the flat. Four Champion Hurdles and the Cheltenham Gold Cup are but five of the biggest prizes in steeplechastra that have come his area.

field at Cheltenham last month has been the most skilful feat of the trainer's career. "We only had three weeks to get him ready in", Mr Easterby said. "And we worked him night and day. He galloped in the afternoon as well us in the morning." This contirms what John O'Neill says, "I sometimes wake up in the night sweating about how hard Peter works his horses." sible scents to be the prerogative not only of Mr Easterby but also of Sea Pigeon. Who would have thought that at the age of nine. Sea Pigeon could have thrashed the Queen's Vase winner, Entitress, on terms werse than weight for age in the Tennent Trophy at Ayr? And Buffress is strongly fancied to win the 1980 Ascot Cold Cup. Or that the fellowing month, 30,000 voices on the Knavesure would have been prograt the old

30,000 voices on the Knavesmire would have been roaring the old warrior home to a record-breaking triumph under 10 stone in the Tote Ebor Handicap?

It was business as usual at Habiton yesterday as Mr Easterdy planned his Easter attack. "Sea Pigeon will run in the Weish Champion Hurdle at Chepstow on

Bonol, an easy v caster, will be banker on the flat! Free Handitap at Monday, "This is said the trainer, certain". Last ye Stakes winner, Son for the Thirsk I Card Stakes on A nengold needs soft 2,000 Guineas was in castle, he'd have a R. However. Sonney, with Barry Hill's Saint Jonathan, sho After Henry Cec er Doncaster last Easterby remarker that basket does jumps as well "It for Cecil that the r

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Worcester programme (NH)



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The Peregrine Chase is on. In flight at the final fence are Professor Plum and Tiepolino (right).

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Paul Routledge sums up the steel strike-'a classic, set-piece confrontation'

Settling for an honourable draw

"Billy walks on water" sang the pickets who only three hours earlier had invaded the offices of the Iron and Trades Confederation. Even among those who wanted to reject the Lever report, Mr Bill Sirs, general secretary of the ISTC, was the hero of the hour in the pickets' pub at Kings

There was surprisingly little sense of defeat among the badge-festmoned militants. It was with some difficulty that you recalled they had been on strike for 92 days, such was the evident appetite for more.

It was not, as has so often been sliply said, a strike that need never have happened. Eritish Steel showed few real signs of regret that it was approaching and the dominant steel union felt the time was right to "let the lads have a go". Three years of riant closures, a rising tide of rank-end-file influence in the ISTC and an offer one-tenth the size of the miners' settlement conspired to make the strike

Sir Charles Villiers, chairman of BSC, reportedly fold a private meeting of the Reform Club economic group last Thursday that he knew as far back as October that there would be a strike. and warned Sir Keith Joseph. Secretary for Industry, as much. He also said that others knew, and industry built up its stocks accordingly.

And what were the gains and losses? Fritish Steel has cot its blueprint for joint-union local productivity deals, which could ultimately save 12,000 jobs, and it has—this year, at least—won recognition that the annual wage round cannot simply reflect the rate of inflation. The industry has also lost an estimated nine to 10 per cent of the United Kingdom market for stagl which will take a lot of recepturing.

The unions, but particularly the ISTC and the National Union of Blastfurnace-men, have driven up the original. risible offer of two per cent to some-

thing like 16 per cent by power bargaining. Less tangible, though as important if not more so, is the psychological impact on worker attitudes. On the victory tour of the picket pubs, the most common expression you heard ran something like: "They won't take us on so quickly again". It is a sense of group self-confidence, hard to define but definitely there.

The steel strike of 1980 is one for the text books as well as the history books. It was a classic, set-piece con-frontation in which all the familiar tactics of sympathetic action, flying and mass pickets, TUC rhetoric and trade union expenditure running into millions of pounds were deployed.

But it is likely to be the last of its kind to be conducted under the old rules. Under the amendments to the Employment Bill tabled yesterday by Mr James Prior, the Employment Secretary, most of the secondary action taken in pursuit of the steelmen's claim would be outside the protection of the law and open to civil action.

The flying pickets who effectively tied up tens of thousands of tons of imported steel in docks right round the coastline could find themselves in court with a huge bill for damages. The mass picketing that closed Hadfield's, the big private sector plant in Sheffield, will be outlawed in the Bill as it stands, and the train drivers will also be at risk if they repeat the sympathetic action of embargoing the movement by rail strike-affected commodities such as

Legal change in another area will also impinge strikes. The Government's plan to "deem" that strikers are in receipt of 512 a week dispute benefit from their union when they apply for state cash aid to support their families will hit hardest at unions like the miners and steelmen who do not give strike pay. They will inevitably be more reluctant to mount marathon stoppages like the 13-week battle that British Steel has just endured.



William Sirs: are his troops battlebardened or merely scarred ?

But even in the context of today's more relaxed strike climate, the Government has reason to be pleased with the outcome of the steel dispute. Its policy of non-intervention has been vindicated. By staying at arm's length (publicly, at least) from the fray, ministers have discouraged other groups of workers from thinking they can be bailed out by the state when their in-dustrial ambitions are frustrated by a tough management.

The cash limit for British Steel has survived intact, and the corporation expects to be able to recoup the whole

of the cost of the settlement from the productivity deals which will now be put on the table in the works and divisions. A central plank of the Cabiner's wages policy—that rises have to be earned through greater output and/or fewer workers—has been given a substantial fillip.

So one way and another, the corpora tion goes into round two of the battle, this time on plant closures, with a strong hand. British Steel had wanted to have concluded by now the negotia-tions on a "slamkke" plan for Port Talbot and Llanwern, but the talks have not yet even started. The workforce in South Wales seems determined to oppose the cuthack in jobs there, and the men of Consett have formed a joint union committee to save the works

In the forthcoming talks, the unions will argue that the BSC should join with them in an approach to the Government for an increase in public funding, presently confined to £450m for 1980/81 by cash limits. But having withstood the pressure of the longest national strike in most trade unionists' memory, ministers are most unlikely to unzip the public purse now.

When the unions show their hand on reaction to plant closures, politicians and management alike will be able to test Mr Sirs' assertion that his troops are battle-hardened, or whether they are merely battle-scarred.

The recent history of Corby, Shotton Shelton. East Moors and Bilston suggests that the opportunity to acquire a lump sum averaging \$10,000 in redundancy pay is more begulling than all the considerable oratory that Mr Sirs can muster. The unions are probably right in saying that the outcome of the steel strike is an honourable draw. It is possible to debate the strike without assuming that one side has won. In the closure battle, however, there will

Labour Editor

Bernard Levin

The seeds of genius: No ' watch them grow

Adelaide In her preface to tife official. history of the Adelaide Pestival, the Queen Mother, who is its patron, bravely declares that over the 20 years since the biennial festival was founded (the present one is the eleventh), "it, has achieved world stature—second only to the Edinburgh Inter-national Festival".

It is well known that the Queen Mother is unfailingly taciful, and anyway she is no doubt asked less frequently than I have been during my week in Adelaide what Adelaide can do to make the existence of its festival known to the world, which at present has scarcely heard of it. That in itself, mind you, would not disprove the claim about its world stature, but the Queen Mother's courtesy cannot make it come true, and before it can become a reality, the apparently insurmountable handicap which I referred to when signing off yesterday has

to be overcome. I can best put it like this.
The distance from Sydney to
Adelaide by air is, with modern jet aircraft, a mere commuter's hop; I scarcely had time to down a second cup of coffee before we began our descent. Within little more than that distance from my front door in London there are-I haven't counted, but the orders of magnitude are surely right—something like 30 opera houses of international standing, at least 50 full-sized professional symphony orchestras and quite as many smaller orchestral groups, a couple of hundred chamber ensembles, fully 1,000 public and private art galleries, almost all of the best restaurants in the world, perhaps 20,000 buildings more than two centuries old and 3,000-4,000 double that; and an ample and constantly-replen-ished number of customers, spectators and audiences for all of these.

Now it may easily be supposed that Australia has no such profusion of these signs and products of civilization. True. Australia's population is only a tiny fraction of the combined totals of the nations of Western Europe; still it is twice the size of Austria's and I think it will be some time yet before the Vienna Philhar-monic needs to look to its laurels in the face of antipodean competition.

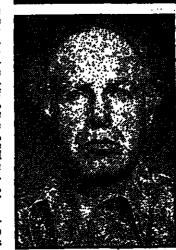
Australia carnot multiply her population twenty-fold overnight; nor can she acquire an historical tradition going back centuries until the centuries have passed. But what follows from this handi-ap apart from the cultural infe-riority complex I mentioned yesterday (it is known, in a book about it here, as "The Australian Cringe") is a double limitation on the ability of Adelaide's festival to make good the Queen Mother's broud claim for it.

There have in fact been a have been judged by the highest standards, most notable and exciting among these being a brilliant young piano duo, Joseph and Anthony Para-tore, of whom we shall hear a great deal more starting I think very soon. (They are American, incidentally, despite their Italian surname.) This pair gave a dazzling perfor-mance of Mozart's two-piano concerto, and added as an encore a marvellously funny arrangement (their own) of the finale of The Carnival of the Animals, which they had turned into a firework for four hands at one keyboard, and which they proceeded to play, with any amount of cat's-cradle hand-crossing, in the manner of Chico Marx, though one of

has also included the Austra. Australia from either lian premiere of Stoppard's or America, to eas Every Good Boy Deserves what is seen is fitting Favour, which grows greater every time I see it and which was excellently performed; some fine chamber music from the Sydney Quarter and our own Gabrieli; and the Rossini Mass, so notably marked by the unscheduled addition to the musical forces provided by the loony I described yester-

But there was something else at Adelaide which perhaps offered a tentative solution to the insoluble problem. Peter Brook and his company from Paris had brought The Ik, which we have seen in London in English, Ubu, which we have seen in French, and their first performances in English of The Conference of the Birds, which London has not so far seen at all, though I saw it a few months ago in Paris in

The company have been playing in the open air, in a disused quarry (which must have made them feel at home, for their Paris theatre would win a Nobel prize for dilapi-dation if there was one), and they caused the only sensation of the festival that could be thought of in absolute terms. I was at the first night of



Peter Brook: a Conference to remember.

Conference of the Birds, and the audience, which had packed the mekeshift seating until it grouned in anguish (the searing, that is—the audience was already groaning with the cold), reeled out speechless at the end, wearing the dazed, illuminated look of those who have just had a transforming experience without quite knowing what it was, and which I last saw on the faces of a theatrical audience, appropriately enough, on emerging from Brook's production of A Midsummer Night's

First, the matter of quantity. Of the seven theatrical offerings I have seen here, two really had no place in an inter-national arts festival, and one of those should hardly have been on a professional stage. Anywhere in Western Europe or the United States, the director of a multicultural arts fes-tival conceived on the very large scale of Adelaide's would have had a few hundred theatrical possibilities to choose from and would have been able to leave out the sub-standard fare without difficulty. Christopher Hunt, the director here, is not quite in the position of having to take anything that is offered, but he is a good deal closer to that position (particularly with the Australian work) than to that of, say, John Drummond at Edipburgh.

Well, then; there simply is of Chico Marx, though one of not enough available, consider-them is the living image of ing how difficult and expen-Harpo. My week at the festival sive it is to bring artists to

festival purpose. (It quite impossible to l entire complement of opera company for and to bring one of th leading symphony orci likewise almost out question. Indeed, ever instrumentalist of any is very unlikely to

the Adelaide Festival part of an internations But there is a less pit lying barely before the feet of an Festival director. The absolute standard, of but valid and useful je can exist only within a in which the best is amply and all the year And that condition is not fulfilled in Austr Christopher Hunt, ir

said that the entire co not possess a single f symphony orchestra.] speak with such co because he has hear larly and frequently, orchestras of Europe United States, and the of one of those orchest not have time to fade inner ear before the another is entering i judged alongside. It wing to hear the ringing Adelaide accorded to saw Philharmonic, but the same fortunate po Mr Hunt, and I thereforthat the Warsaw orc! no better than say, t Philharmonic or the (Nationale de Paris on day. And in these stances, only a fool o would insist on judgi laide by the tests appl the festivals of Salzbu-burgh, Hohenems or

concert by a single p chestra fades from ti leaving that mind wit permanent standards can only be created tinuous and frequent mances of outstanding so Peter Brook and h will go bome from and their memory will fade like a light-image rerina. But there is vital difference. Unlike chestra, something of will be left behind. T work as creative, affec profound as this is seminal; it inevitably seeds that will flo Australia later in sc ways. Most of them q predictable. Think worldwide revolution trical staging wrought land and Wolfgang W. Bayreuth in the '50s; only recently spent is force. I believe somethi Australia from Conte the Birds, a timeless

Just as the sound of

world in particular. And the point is t secret string of today. which this play sets v is a universal one; A miles from Europe or A but the divide is shr nothing when a group ural actors, led by a of genius, tell us throu haunting version of an Persian poem that th which we believe lies oceans, towering and dreadful valleys res always within our own No allowances have to b in Adalaide when wor this is on its boards, amount of geographical work like this from influ Australian culture in g Festival in particular, for to come.

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Times Newspapers, 19

Ronald Butt

A vital chance for the clever child

The Government's Education Eili is due to become law today. and among much else, it brings into being the new meanstested assisted places scheme under which the fees of some able children of poorer parents can be paid wholely, or in part with public money. I discussed inis scheme in a recent artist? (March 5), and this evoked a particularly interesting and in-formed correspondence which raised some questions and criticisms well worth further discussion.

My defence of the new scheme rested on the propothat the independent schools provide an invaluable criterion against which the that the independent schools were particularly valuable in maintaining academic standards during the years of innovation and upheaval in the state sector; that these standards are wanted by more parents than can afford to pay the fees; and that such schools ought particu-larly to be available for specable children in places where the state schools cannot

adequately provide for them. I suggested that this need was particularly acute in some inner city areas where a disproportionately small propor-tion of able children may be disadvantaged by the nature of the only comprehensive schools available. I observed also that it might actually be cheaper to cond children on full fees to a former direct grant school than to a state school, so that the question of cost is not a

material factor. This last subsidiary point have to be concentrated on

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among them Lord Stewart of Fulham who thought (in a letter, March 8) that I had confused average and marginal foct. My statement was, in fact, creed on Government figures Chen in the Hours of Commons (Hansard Feb 12, col 1487-8). These compared the average recoupment cost (namely, the sest paid by one local authority to another for a child's educawith the average cost of the fees at six Manchester exdirect grant schools. Jepartment of Education have confirmed to me that recoupment cost is a true, not a mar-ginal cost, and includes, proportionately, all elements, in-

cluding the appropriate capital COST. I had defended the scheme against Lord Butler's criticism by asking whether he would have been as critical if his grandchildren, for lack of money, had to go to the worst sive. In reply, Lord Butler (March 8) informed us that had entered the state system. That was not exactly relevant to the point I was making. Everything depends on which state schools and where.

Some people use the state primary system and then 20 to Eton, while there is a great difference between the much admired comprehensive at Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight (for instance) and some of the innercity schools where there is no balanced intake, and which have a catchment area with so many social problems that resources

Please do!

demic children.

I hope, therefore, that Lord Butler, and others who wrote to me personally, will acquit me of an actack on either the state system as such, or on the dedicotion and competence of most of its teachers. They have a harder challenge than most of the independent schools, and the problems of the state sector arise largely from the consequences of its reorganization in particular places, and from the imposition of education fashion.

But perhaps the most important question raised was whether the assisted places scheme really will help the able child of working class parents, or whether the beneficiaries be those more or less middle class parents who are able to operate the system.

The means test, with its likely cut-off point at around £8,000 income, will ensure that helps only the lower paid. There is, of course, also the problem that there will not be enough independent school places in the difficult city In some cities, excellent former direct grant schools exist; in others, notably inner London, they do not. But there are still appropriate independent schools not far away, and accessible by a bus or tube journey. Everything depends how well and widely such schools publicise their assisted

that will do the selecting, not the Government. But in any case, the scheme (if it proves lasting) will be most important as a begining. The hope must be that it will encourage the foundation of independent schools. through charitable trusts, in the

places-and let us remember

that it is the schools themselves

areas of greatest need. The new scheme is, curiously, feared by some on both the maintained and the independent side. I have talked to some representatives of state schools who believe that it is unfair to them to take some of the best of their potential pupils. This, they say, makes nonsense of the enr sectors. There are several answers to that.

though the competition is, it is individual children (each having to state interference in the only one life to lead and some independent schools which, it disadvantaged by their par-ticular situation as things now

The second answer is that the creaming off will not happen where the state schools are good enough to give no cause for it. Why should a parent pay (say) his due £100 or £200 if he can get an equivalent education for nothing?

As for the state schools where the environment is will be only to pay the fees or fundamentally unsatisfactory, it is highly implausible to argue that the departure of the few who might leave the schools under the new scheme would make matters materially worse. What it might do is to force the authorities to new solutions.

But some on the independent side also have misgivings. One headmaster of a former direct everything to be said for what grant school regards scheme as a "potential death pupils involved in it. He envisages the whole thing being cut by a Labour government, would thus administer a crippling blow to the schools, obliging them to support their assisted places pupils-or see them leave.

But I do not believe that even the most extreme Labour government would incur the unpopularity of striking at a child's education half-way through school. Besides, unlike the direct grant arrangements, which were under regulations that could be quickly abolished, the new scheme (the Act will protect the children's education until 18) would take at least a

year to be repealed. In fact, most of the former direct grant schools are deliberately, to start with, not taking too many under the scheme, governing the number by their ability to support their assisted places element from their competition of which I wrote school bursary funds for a few

years if the worse came to the There is, however, one other

The first is that, important argument that has been put to lough the competition is, it is me—that the scheme will lead independent schools which, it is contended, was already pos-sible under the direct grant

This ignores the fundamental difference between the two schemes. The direct grant schools had a special starus, and a dependence on public money. The schools with assisted places will remain wholely independent, selecting their own intake. and the role of the Governmen part of the fees of an approved number. The intention is plainly to give priority to children from areas where the need is greatest.

There is, therefore, nothing in this scheme that can jeopardize the independence of the independents—which will be far more at risk from becoming, increasingly, the prerogative of the rich Certainly there is some independent heads regard as the real alternatives — the provision of capital, particularly from large businesses, to create charities from which indepen-dent education could be sup-

But if these are only to be self-help charities, under which industrial corporations pay for school places then filled by their own employees, I cannot think of anything more encouraging to a socialist attack against educational charities. Certainly, I am all for the foundation of new education charities (with as much indus-trial money as is available) but let them be largely to provide

open places. Once there are sufficient open places for poorer pupils at independent schools to create genuine vested interest in their preservation among ordinary people, then they stand a chance of safety from Labour attack. The scheme that belaw today could, just comes conceivably, lead us in

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Europe: a view from the north

I thought that devolution was dead, but it is clinging to life by a thread in Hebden Bridge, West Yorkshire, headquarters of the Campaign for the North. The Campaign, founded three vears ago when the debate on breaking up Britain was in full flood, has written to all 21 European MPs who represent north of England, urging them toput the region's case in a more unified and concerted fashion. And it wants the MPs to press for one of the EEC's many institutions to be moved from mainland Europe to somewhere between Sheffield and Berwick-upon-Tweed. Paul Temperton, full-time

director of the Campaign, told me that getting the north recognized as a single entity with problems far removed from those of the more prosperous south-east, was an essential first step towards some eventual degree of self-government.

"In the short term, we want to encourage the view that the is not like the rest of England, and we want our Euro-MPs to act together when northern interests do not coincide with those of the rest of the country, as often hap-pens. Our so-called national interests are all too often defined an dreported in Brussels and Strasbourg through south-eastern spectacles", Tem-

Agricultural Policy towards the regional policy. The north, they say, does even less well out of the EEC than Britain as a whole, being chiefly a manufacturing rather than an agricultural area. And yet it is one of Europe's poorest regions. Temperton does not necessar-

ily want the European Commismission to uproot lock, stock and barrel from Brussels to Barnsley; something like the European Patent Office, now in Munich, or the University Institute in Florence, would do. Even the EEC information office in Manchester has been closed", he said balefully,

Hats off

I have been studying the religion of Shi'a Islam through the sayings of its most active publicist. Ayatollah Khomeini, just published for the first time

Some of the views of the holy man of Qom are well enough know already. "Europe is nothing but a collection of unjust dictatorships; all of humanity must strike these troublemakers with an iron hand if it wishes to regain its tranquillity.

It is the extent of his loathing for the infidel which may not be fully appreciated. "The leaders of our country (i.e. deposed Shah's regime) have been so deeply influenced by the West that they have regulated the standard time of

Drama across the board

A remarkable false finish injected some unexpected drama and not a little embarrassment into the closing minutes of the fourth World Monopoly Championship two days ago, Simon Midgley, my board games correspondent, reports from Hamilton, Bermuda.

A red sash of victory had just been draped around the genial Italian contender Cesare Bernabei, when a last-minute objection (or post-last-minute, as it turned out) forced the championship officials into a huddle. There had been, it was alleged, a mis-move by the only other contestant remaining in the final, the American Dana Terman.

There would have to be an inquiry. Had the American been bankrupted by an 11space move to a hotel on St Charles' Place (on the American board; or was he really only visiting jail?

can champion on his engage-ments, comforted him, while the Italian press dried their tears of premature rejoicing and looked grim.

Meanwhile 28-year-old Cesare, an electronics engineer, drew phlegmatically on his pipe, apparently unmoved.

The judges conferred. No they announced, there had been no mistake. Back came the sash, the photographers descended once more, the public relations girls bestowed kisses. Cesare was indeed this year's champion; he had outcharmed and outbargained the est of the 18-strong field in the two-day event.

Among his vanquished opponents was the British challenger Simon Wardill, a valuation surveyor from Wimbledon. Ah well, perhaps we'll do better in

the ludicrous use of the Western date as the Holy Prophet to lead the people; therefore, it is hat stands in the way of our in-dependence and is contrary to the will of God". follow him. The sayings were uttered But it is the minutiae of

while the Ayatollah was still exstrict Islamic observance, notably the precise conduct of the iled in Paris, but he clearly had baser bodily functions, that acan eye to the future. " If a compear to concern the Ayatollah petent man, combining in himmost As he says himself, there self . . , supreme virtues. ap- is no subject upon which Islam their country upon . . . Green pears and founds a true Islamic has not expressed its judgwich Mean Time. What a government, it means that he ment. Thus: "One must avoid Steam trains may soon once
nightmare!"

And again: "We affirm that Almighty with the same man to urinate or defecate, or when underground. Well, not actually . Green- pears and founds a true Islamic has not expressed its judg-

Confusion mounted. Off came one is wearing socks that are the red sash, and away went too tight". the officials to study videotape come back Omar Khayyam, recordings of the final moves. Terman's mother, Gladys, who usually accompanies the Ameriand socks off. Come back Omar Khayyam,

Plootsh, mon

When a revivalist Gael recently inquired about the health of Gaelic in Shetland he was distressed to learn that since the Chinese restaurant opened in Lerwick, more people spoke Cantonese than the ancient Celtic tongue of Scotland.

Shetlanders have their linuistic roots in an amalgam of orse, lowland Scots and English. So much is clear from The Shetland Dictionary by John J. Graham, a local schoolmaster whose book is an invaluable aid during conversational skirmish with any two-tongued Shet-

Plootsh, to walk through water, and swinkle, the sound of liquid gently splashing, are both charmingly self-descrip-

to Shetland) can get undomious funs (enormous enjoyment) from constructing their own bursts of dialect. Yunder lavilugget sclaterscra wisna laachin efter he snappered on a groatie buckie (that drooping-eared pompous individual was not laughing after he tripped on a cowrie shell). Useful, that.

Steamed up

rural stretch of the C Line which runs be London Transport close as uneconomic.

underground, but on the

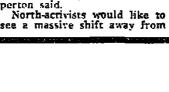
Should the Greater L Council approve the closus Epping-Ongar Railway Sc a group of local enthusiasi said it is prepared to take the line and its five statio would operate a commute vice using diesel trains d the week, supplementer steam-hauled trips at wee for tourists and railway

The society claims to received widespread sup and several offers of motives and rolling stor. believes that it can re cheaper and more efficien: vice than that at present vided, and at the same save London Transport £300,000 in public subsi Just the scheme, I st think, to set free-enter Tory pulses racing.

But sooth-moothers (incomers Two days ago the BBC Japo service broadcast the news Big Ben was about to go di and that the clock hands w be sold to the first four eners to write in. Withir hour a japanese scaman in Atlantic had radioed his Clearly he was not wearing those clever Japan watches which would have nim the date, April 1.

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'OLARIS AND AFTER

e Defence White Paper which s published yesterday steps uly is the right direction by closing more facts, and conerably more figures, than has wously been the case. The vernment's objective is to ke people more aware of the tes before the country, and to are that the debate which the ensue is informed and conscrive. It refers only in pasportant, most emotive decision ich it still has to make, namely replacement for Polaris as rain's strategic deterrent in 1990s.

accessive governments mand successfully to conceal the pile, and particularly the ts, of the Chevaline, the gramme, until Mr Pym dissed them in the Commons two oths ago. One can understand political reasons for such rettable. Moreover it would a pity if the Cabinet made decision over the Polaris sucgon without taking the public some extent into its confice. The subject is difficult suse the science involved is plex and classified. But it is so difficult that the Governt can feel justified in releassirtually nothing.

iere would seem to be four i options (although the frament is rejuctant even to ose that much). The first is to replace Polaris with anyg at all—in other words abandon an independent egic deterrent. This would copular with those who feel pfortable, morally and ically, over our possession but is inarguably a terrible

is course also has a respectmilitary rationale. Rather spend billions of pounds on ring and maintaining a on which is unlikely ever used, should we not conate our limited resources conventional equipment? ato's forces showed thems well able to defend the against an offensive by ntional means, then would the nuclear threshold be I-and indeed the threat of altogether removed?

balance the argument tilts ther way. To abandon the rent would be a mistake. It

nuclear weapon which does not fall under the direct jurisdiction of the President of the United States. It improves, rather than lessens, Britain's security and makes it less likely that this country would be threatened with nuclear attack. That we might use our deterrent first is unthinkable. We do however retain the ability to retaliateand with sufficient guarantee that we could inflict unacceptable punishment on an aggressor. As the White Paper reminds us, one boatload of Polaris missiles carries more explosive power than all the munitions used in the Second World War, and no aggressor could be sure that none of those sixteen missiles would penetrate his defences.

The second option is to invest in some form of cruise missile: air-launched, ground-launched or, preferably, submarine-launched. Cruise missiles are smaller, individually cheaper than ballistic missiles, can be extremely accurate—and at present would stand a reasonable chance of penetrating Soviet air defences. We could perhaps develop a cruise missile in Britain, but would probably do better to purchase the system from the United States, assuming American willingness to sell. (Ground-launched cruise missiles are to be sited in Britain, under American control as part of Nato's theatre nuclear force.)

But the cruise missile is subsonic at present, and to guarantee retaliation on an equal scale to that promised by a ballistic missile we would probably need more submarine-loads at sea. It has been calculated by at least one authority that the option could end up by being more, rather than less expensive than a ballistic missile replacement. Moreover, what is perhaps the most valid objection, the cruise missile would involve a new technology and operating technique for Britain. It is probably better, given the small size of our deterrent force and the limited risks we can take in our investment, to stick with the devil that we know rather than the devil we do not.

The option which the Ministry of Defence favours and which, it is thought, the Government will probably take, is to purchase the American Trident-1 or C-4 des Britain, and Nato, with missile. We would need to build

the only form of strategic new submarines to house it-but we would need to build new submarines, anyway. The package which is thought to be most likely involves five submarines, compared to our present fleet of only four, each equipped with 16 Trident-1 missiles. To buy the missiles from the United States. develop our own warheads, and build our own submarines would cost about £5,000m over a 10-year period.

Trident-1 has multiple independent warheads, has a range of 4,000 miles, compared with the 2,800 miles of Polaris, and is much more accurate. Assuming improvements in the technology of anti-submarine detection, the advantages in range, accuracy and targeting should help to decrease the vulnerability of our strategic deterrent force. The cost of £5,000m is heavy but it is one which we can live with. It is certainly difficult to imagine how we could spend that amount on conventional weapons and add, as significantly, to the country's defences.

There is however a fourth option which is worth considering seriously. It is to retain Polaris for longer than officially envisaged, and simply build four, or perhaps five new submarines to carry it. There is a respected body of opinion which argues that Polaris would still imply enough risk for an enemy to act as a realistic deterrent into the next century. We would need to ensure that we could support the system after the Americans have phased out Polaris themselves in the mid-1980s. But the cost would be less than that of buying Trident-1-although again the Ministry believes that the difference would not be very great. We have already invested £1,000m in the warhead improvement programme. Moreover, by the end of the century antisubmarine detection might have advanced so far that even Trident-1 might be a deterrent in which we could no longer rely.

If it is best that the Government should opt for Trident-1, it should do so only after giving serious consideration to the retention of Polaris. Britain needs however an informed public debate on the subject which only the Government can provide the material for. That surely should be the first priority.

RTUGAL'S RIGHTWARD TREND strikes and demonstrations in smaller lots to new owners. land in the Alentejo. Another is Some of the cooperatives are to

aking place in the Alentejo, s south of Portugal, are the sign of the convolutions the country has been gh since the military takein 1974. For many years Alentejo was a region of estates and poor, landless ints. In the aftermath of 974 revolution many of the s were taken over and, with ncouragement of the leftist mment of the time, cooperawere set up to run them. 1977, however, when a new ian reform bill was passed, s been government policy and back much, but not all, e land to the former owners. process began before the at government took over at eginning of this year. But now being carried through more determination than e, and it is meeting resis--- from many of th peasants selves, particularly the as of the cooperatives, many hom are communists.

e militant peasants are preng the policy in simple s, as a reversion by Senhor arneiro's government to the of the Salazar dictatorship. hardly that, becouse not all and is to be returned, and of it is being distributed

the Reverend Dr Kenneth G.

For those who take the ecu-

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maintained. But the inequities of the past have led to great bitterness among many of the peasants, who now see themselves being dispossessed, and that has made them receptive to leftist propaganda. It is noticeable that the Communist Party itself, with its Stalinist traditions and its strong position in the Alentejo, is not in fact the most outspoken. In a recent speech Major Otelo Saraiva de Carvalho, once one of the leaders of the leftist tendency in the armed forces, called for an armed uprising in the region and a march on Lisbon; he was sharply criticized by the party.

The Democratic Alliance, a centre-right coalition, won the election last December on an undertaking to put an end to the leftist trend of the years after 1974 and to set the Portuguese economy on a new, non-socialist basis. It has an overall majority in Parliament, but is in an unusual position because by the terms of the constitution a new election has to be held this October. So, with less than a year in which to prove itself, it has had to push ahead with the policies which it promised, and one of them is the handing back of the issue o ta decree watch par the way for the setting up of private banks and insurance companies alongside those that were nationalized after the 1974 revolution. Opinion polls suggest that it remains popular.

There are difficulties, however, about another of its main objectives, the revision of the constitution, which declares socialism to be the goal of government policy, because that would require a two thirds majority in Parliament. There is also constant tension with President Eanes, who made it clear during the election campaign that he was opposed to democratic action, and retains considerable powers. So Senhor Sá Carneiro would like, not only to win the election in October, but to see new and more sympathetic president elected next spring. It would then be possible to revise the constitution by referendum, without having to refer the issue to Parliament. It will not be easy to defeat President Eanes, because he is himself a popular figure. But Senhor Sá Carneiro has good reason for believing that the general line of his policies is approved. He just has to be sure that resistance to them, particularly in the Alentejo, does not get out of hand.

disinterested manner. They often have a vested interest in stoking up rateable values to maintain their in that debate? It would be a different matter if some of the Churches believed in the divinity of Our Lord, and others did not. depleted revenues and, in consequence, line up with the commer-cial exploiters of communities. 3. With hope that the 1980s may see significant further progress. The proposals shortly to be published by the Churches Council for Cove-

It is a constitutional absurdity that the electorate's only appeal, in these cases, is to a referee who is also in the ring as a protagonist.

We need an alternative system,
if only to avoid corruption and a lack of open government. Yours faithfully,

PETER YORK, Chairman, Tonbridge Civic Society, 64 Dry Hill Park Road, Tonbridge,

member Churches of the Council.
There are not wanting those who
have already declared that the
Covenant will not command the
assent of the Churches which asked
for it to be produced. It is much to
be hoped that the folk in the local
areas where unity is far advanced
and who have pleaded for movement along these lines at the ment along these lines at the national level will together with others, mobilize support and con-Young motor-cyclists From Inspector Victor Ives found the critics.

If the Churches sign the Covenant, they must also resolve to make it work. We must see it as a vital step towards a vital goal the final shape of which is yet to be revealed and as a contribution not just to the unity of the Church but to the healing of the woulds of the world. Yours faithfully,

anting in England offer the chance

of a long step forward, involving as they do the mutual recognition of

members and ministries in the five member Churches of the Council.

KENNETH G. GREET. Secretary of the Methodist Conference, 1 Central Buildings, Westminster, SW1.

Changes in planning law Erom Mr Peter York Sir, The real requirement is to avoid a process whereby planning authorities are able to grant themselves planning permission.

District and county councils are not always holding the ring in a Hendon, NW9.

Sir, On March 24 you published a letter from a Mr Doorly which sug-gests that 16 year olds are allowed to ride motor cycles of up to 175cc on roads.

This is not correct. The 16 year old is restricted to "moneds", which by definition do not exceed 50 cc. On reaching the age of 17 years, there is no restriction as to the size of motor cycle which may be driven, except that the holder of a provisional licence is restricted to an upper limit of 250cc.

Many people seem to find this aspect of the law rather confusing and I hope that this letter might make the position clear. Yours faithfully, VICTOR IVES, Metropolitan Police Office, Hendon Training School, Peel Centre, Aerodrome Road,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Father Tom Stack

such a future.

Withdrawal from EEC membership From Mr Leolin Price, QC

Sir, Like Sir Derek Walker-Smith, QC, MP (March 28). I do not think that we should consider withholding our VAT contributions while we remain members of the EEC. We should observe the rules even if should observe the rules even if should observe the rules even it tactical advantage would be achieved, by refusing to do so. We should not follow the example of others who, while claiming to be better communautaires, pick and choose the rules which they will observe: that has never been our way of doing things; and while way of doing things; and, while membership of the EEC may have imposed on us other follies, it should not be made an excuse for bad habits.
But, if Sir Derek Walker-Smith's

fourth proposition (that we can withdraw from the EEC if the other eight members consent) is intended to suggest that our withdrawal without such consent would be a breach of international law, or of any obligations to the other members, that suggestion is wholly un-acceptable. When the possibility of our accession to the EEC was being debated, those who opposed it and many who were sceptical about it were fearful that it might later be said that, once members, we could not legally withdraw. To quiet their misgivings, it was said, loudly and clearly, by those negotiating the accession, that of course we would be able to leave the EEC; in that respect sovereignty would remain with us. The Government of the day, in providing that reassurance, cannot have thought that this option would involve any breach of law; and those with whom they nego-tiated (as I thought then and think now, foolishly and very unsuccessfully) cannot have thought so.

Of course we are able to leave the EEC without any breach of law. Our membership is now shown to be economically unwise, because our economic interests cannot be reconciled with those of our parmers, and politically foolish, because it creates quarrelsome argument with some of our friends, diverting their energies and ours from the real problems which face us; and the constitutional arrangements in-volved in our membership were lways, in my view, unacceptable. To withdraw is more sensible, and much better for our real friendship with France and our other partners, than to continue arguing about the absurd and shameful shambles of the CAP or about our inequitable contribution to the EEC budget. Yours truly,

LEOLIN PRICE, 10 Old Square, Lincoln's Inn, WC2. March 30.

A matter of dignity From Mr F. Fletcher

lack of letters in your correspondence columns regarding the recent Budget from your usual source, the House of Lords, so perhaps one from a more humble council house would not come amiss. Because of ill health I was compelled to end my working life at the age of 60 without an occupational pension of any kind, and since then my wife and myself have existed solely on state invalidity benefit. This is normally increased each year by the same amount as the state retirement pension to which we are not yet entitled, and each such increase has heen more than welcome and has seemed reasonably generous.

Sir, There has been a remarkable

Imagine our dismay when we learnt that as from next November we are to lose five per cent of our expected increase, in order to make up for the revenue the Chancellor is compelled to miss because he cannot bring invalidity benefit into cannot bring invalidity benefit into the income tax net for another year or two. We shall therefore soon become part of a luckless band of people who will be in the unique position of paying what is in effect income tax two years in advance on a total joint income of some £40 a week—a figure at which few married couples are expected to exist, let alone pay tax I It could, I suppose, be possible to get a little more by begging for it, but we would rather starve than beg for what we know in our hearts should be ours by right.

No, Sir, if our country has indeed reached such a parlous state that it is thought seemly to rob the poor

it is thought seemly to rob the poor in order to maintain the living standards of the rich, then we will live, not for the first time, on bread and margarine and the Government can take their five per cent, but I though he less than human if I did should be less than human if I did not say that I hope it chokes them! Yours sincerely, FRED PLETCHER,

76 Hallsteads, Dove Holes, Derbyshire.

Treatment for patients

From Dr C. S. Ogg Sir, If the National Health Service has any function it is presumably to provide treatment for patients who need it. Thus the Appeal Court's decision reported in The Times of March 19, that the Department of Health does not have a duty to provide "kidney mechines, heart transplants and pills free to every-one who needed them" must not be allowed to pass without com-ment. Presumably "free" treat-ment should be rationed and the unlucky, who have also paid their taxes, must perish, or pay for private medical care.
This might be justified for pro-

cedures such as cardiac transplantation whose success has not been proven in this country; but it is a far cry from these to established and highly successful forms of treatment such as haemodialysis for chronic kidney failure. By Euro-pean and American standards, this country provides a shamefully in-adequate service for patients with renal failure and such judicial com-placency will do nothing to rectify

Does the Department of Health have any responsibilities? I wonder what would happen if the Department of Education took the same stance about secondary education. Yours faithfully, C. S. OGG, Guy's Hospital, St Thomas Street, SE1.

Archbishop's enthronement sermon

From Sir Dauglas Logan

Sir, The letter from the Reverend Joseph McCulloch (March 29) must have come as a great surprise to many who listened to the sermon delivered by the Archbishop of Canterbury on the occasion of his enthronement last week. It did not, however, come as a surprise to me because I have known the Reverend Joseph McCulloch for nearly 60 years—we were at school together -and the leopard does not change his spots. The dialogue which he instituted

with men and women outside the Christian Church while he was Rector of St Mary-le-Bow was an imaginative innovation but it related only to one facet of the major prob-lem to which the Archbishop was alluding. That problem, as your Religious Affairs Correspondent Churches—can come to terms and find common theological ground with non-Christian world religions and completely abandon

Moreover to me at least the sermon was deeply impressive for the humility which the Archbishop displayed in approaching this funda. mental issue and the other great responsibilities which his new office imposes on him. Yours faithfully,

Restairig, Mountain Street, Chilham. March 31.

for the Church of England. As a member of a big sister church in a little sister island, may I thank him for his words at Canterpoints out today (March 31), is the extent to which the Anglican Church—and indeed all Christian bury. Yours sincerely, TOM STACK, Loreto Lodge,

such as Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism-not to mention Judaism-and completely abandon "the nineteenth century tradition of regarding them as ignorant paganism".

D. W. LOGAN.

Custody of children From Mr John Eekelaar Sir, Mr Horne (April 1) says that the public would like to know what the evidence is that there is "little sexual bias in the granting of custody". The major study in this country, Custody after Divorce, was published by this Centre in 1977. It was based on a representative sample of 855 cases in England and Scotland. Scotland. In order to establish sexual bias by judges it would be necessary to show, where custody is contested before them, first that they are significantly more likely to return a child from its father to a claimant mother than from the mother to the father and, secondly, that the difference is attributable only to bias and not to other factors, such as the conditions in which the child is living. In fact, the first condition was not met because the evidence overwhelmingly showed that the almost universal outcome of custody disposition was that children remained with the party with whom they were kiving when the proceedings were instituted, whether this was the father or the mother. This finding contradicted another "popular belief" at the

spread "uprooting" of children from established relationships. Almost all contested custody cases will be referred to a divorce court welfare officer for investigation. Preliminary results from a further

time that judges indulged in wide-

DOUGLAS BEAN. 12 Fitzroy Square, W1. study at this centre shows no evidence of bias among the officers against children remaining with their fathers if conditions are suit-

From the Reverend D. J. L. Bean

Sir, The Archbishop has not been in office a week and already the hawks are clawing and pecking at him. There is something very dis-

tasteful in such an immediate onslaught of criticism in the letters you published on Saturday, March

When there are those who take on burdensome places of responsibility, often our of duty, even in these self-assertive days, is there no room for encouragement and praise at the beginning of his min-

Yours sincerely,

able. No one has alleged general dis-regard by the judiciary of these officers' reports.

Since most children remain with their mother when their parents separate, the operation of the principle favouring maintenance of the child's status quo might look like bias in favour of the mother and may even be represented as such by lawyers to their clients. But this outcome merely reflects the parties' own arrangements when they separated and influential psychiatric opinion has opposed the removal of children from the parent with whom they have been living in unbroken relationship. Conclusions very similar to these have been reached in a large study by the Divorce Law Research Project at

Berkeley, California.

While individual instances may occur, to set up the myth of general judicial bias against men as a serious issue encourages unrealis-tic expectations of the potential for judicial solutions to these problems and diverts attention from the real difficulties involved in trying to reach solutions which serve children's interests best. Yours sincerely,

JOHN EEKELAAR, Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, Wolfson College, Oxford.

Falkland fishing From Mr Dennis Roberts

Sir, You published a letter on March 26 from Mr G. White con-cerning Falkland fishing, to which I would like the opportunity to

reply.

Many visitors to the Falkland
Islands come away with the misconception that the seas around are teeming with fish yet the British fishing industry lacks the initiative to go there for catches. Mr White avers that "almost any day several East European fishing trawlers call in the outer harbour of Port Stanley to unload at one or more of their factory ships". Even if that was not a gross exaggeration, it does not prove the Faikland seas sustain marketable fish. People are confused over the terminology of fish; krill is fish yet it is unmarketwhiting is fish, but the southern species are so riddled with cysts as to be unmarketable, too. The East Europeans fish for protein and not for profit, and this is something the islanders and their visitors cannot understand Something the distance.

islanders and their visitors cannot understand. Some good fish is a byproduct of the effort, and when it is given away ashore in exchange for hospitality it is assumed the whole catch is of similar quality. During the years 1973 and 1974 I spent 180 days at sea fishing round the Felklands as a British observer above.

observer aboard a Japanese freezer

trawler, undertaking a commercial research fishing programme. The answer is plain: there are no British or Japanese vessels fishing there, for white fish, because it is not a viable proposition. The evidence we have should not preclude government-financed further research, but is insufficient to justify a private investment.

Lastly, Mr White quite rightly praises the patriotic islanders, but he is adrift in stating that every facility can be arranged for British fishermen. I do not know exactly what he had in mind, but as far as simple maintenance and servicing of simple maintenance and servicing of modern fishing vessel is concerned Port Stanley unfortunately has nothing to offer.

To mount a fishing operation in the southern hemisphere would re-quire a full fleet of support vessels which neither the industry nor the Government are in a position to

The presence of such foreign vessels in the Falkland Islands area from time to time may only be their desire to communicate with the out-side world; for hospital and postal facilities, air flights and cargo to the Argentine, and—dare we mention it—small purchases of Scotch whisky for the thirsty captains. Yours faithfully,

DENNIS ROBERTS, Mill Hill Crescent, Cleetborpes, South Humberside.

Wiener Library

From Dr Hartmut Pogge von

Sir, The letter of the Director of the Wiener Library (March 31) which he wrote in response to a letter complaining about the plan-ned move of the Wiener Library to Tel Aviv is disappointing. He has not answered the question as to why a proper appeal campaign has not been launched to assist the library with its founding. Thus the improve with its funding. Thus the impecu-nious users of the library, ie, ordinary historians, to whom the Director refers, have not been ap-proached to organize help. Even now the Director and his Trustees could convene a big appeal committee with the assistance of distin-guished historians to start a

campaign. Several years ago certain proposals existed to find another home for the library in Britain. Negotiations took place to transfer the library to St Antony's College, Oxford, to Reading University and to the London School of Economics, but nothing came of it. Already at that time the Trustees and the Director seemed to be attracted by the idea of shipping the library to Tel Aviv, a move which was, incidentally, opposed by the founder of the library, Dr Wiener.

The Director also does not answer the question as to why the micro-filmed material could not be sent to Tel Aviv instead of the originals. Everyone who has had snything to do with microfilm knows of the

tremendous cost of microfilming. Could that money not be better spent on keeping the library in this country? There is also no reason why the substantial subsidy the German Foreign Office has paid over the years and is still paying, should continue, once the library has gone to Tel Aviv. Perhaps the Director could inform the public what the cost of the microfilming is, who is paying for it and how high the annual total German subsidy is? It is in Britain that the Library has been of immense value to thousands of researchers. The move of the original material to Tel Aviv would create a serious gap here which no other institute could fill in this country.

Yours faithfully, H. POGGE VON STRANDMANN, University College,

From Mr Peter King Sir. The sad news that the Wiener Library intends to move to Tel Aviv still a place for Jews and things Jewish outside Israel? Do the Jews of the Diaspora still form real communities in their own right?

If so, it is essential that they should have their own cultural institutions. They must also be prepared to make the necessary sacrifices to keep such institutions going in difficult times. Your faithfully, PETER KING, Department of Mediaeval History,

University of St Andrews,

The motives of President Sadat

Sir, As an Irish Catholic priest, may From Mr Raficq Shaik Abdulla I say how encouraged I was to watch the enthropment of Arch-Sir. Your emphasis on President Sadat's altruism in accepting the Shah as a guest of his country (March 25) is altogether too sanguine. The same high-minded motives could have been arributed bishop Runcie on television. The occasion was instinct with hope. Dr. Runcie spoke in the accent of oikoumene for which we all long Would it be flying in the face of the immutable to respectfully sug-gest that the new Archbishop begin a process leading towards disestab-lishment? The attractive theology revealed in his homily edged one to Colonel Gaddafi when he allowed the defeated Idi Amin to enter-Libya. Both the Shad and Amin were dictators, both perpetrated repressive, inhumane and often repulsive acts designed to inculcate terror in their subjects, both finally more with their respective, purposition. inexorably towards the vision of mer with their respective nemess and became international pariahs. However, I don't recall reading admiring panegyrics in the English such a future.

To embrace this evangelical possibility would further guarantee credibility to the authority of love which he so impressively claimed press about the compassionate face

press about the compassionate face of Islam—Gaddafi version.

After a sensible analysis of Sadat's political motives you conclude, notwithstanding your excruciating mea culpas, with a condescending pat on Sadat's head which reveals little about his "Islamic" motives and still less about Islam. Let me assure you that, like your civilisation, the Muslim world generally is not too preoccupied with the good opinion of other cultures including that of the West. The quality of arrogance is not unique to the West and the Muslim world continues to translate and world continues to translate and interpret reality according to its own values. Like all great civilisations Islamic culture is complex and diverse. Indeed the concept of compassion is not unfamiliar to Madistructure to the corresponding to

compassion is not unfamiliar to Muslims, but the stern thread of belief in just retribution runs through all Islamic thinking, however distasteful this may be in Western eyes.

Jesus told his followers to turn the other cheek when their enemies smote them; the Muslim, on the contrary, are exhorted to retaliate but with justice. Therefore, it is an implicit Western assumption that Western culture, based as it is on Christian values, is morally superior. The truth of the matter is not so pristine. In fact the West has sentimentalised and consequently trivialised the quality of mercy and has saddled itself with a sense of guilt saddled itself with a sense of guilt and the vice of hypocrisy, or, in this case, selective compassion. I would not present the modern Western states as exactly caring societies; more sensationally and perhaps more pertinently, I do not detect much compassion in the Nuremberg trials, for example. Most Iranians regard the Shah in the same light as the Allied Powers regarded the

Nazi war criminals.

I would, therefore, suggest that
Mr Sadat is not so much concerned
with demonstrating Islami compassion, which in any case appears to be exclusively reserved for his so-called friends, as with winning Western support to replace his plummeting credit in the Muslim world. Mr Sadat is too much of an experienced politician to allow real compassion rather than calculation to dominate his acts. He may use the argument of compassion as a good public relations exercise to curry favour with the West, but that has nothing to do with the not be divorced from its sense of justice.

RAFICO SHATK ABDULLA. 11 Coleherne Mansions. Old Brompton Road, SW 5.

Freedom of Mormons From Mr J. J. Larkin

Sir, Just a note to correct a mis-statement in William Rees-Mogg's otherwise fine recent article (March 15) on the Utah Mormons and

He writes "Mormons have to tithe and have to give their time to the church." This statement conflicts with one of the basic tenets of our belief, namely that everyone on earth is a child of Our Heavenly Father and as such have their "free agency "—it being an eternal prin-ciple. In other words, we have a choice as to whether or not we give our money or our time to the

While both tithing and service are a part of the established church programme, there is no compulsion involved.

JAMES J. LARKIN, Ouaker Lane. Greenwich, Ct 06830. March 25.

Far behind From Dr Oliver Gillie

Sir, In your issue of March 22 you Sir, In your issue of March 22 you refer to the previous day as the first day of spring. This is a widely accepted statement which has no meteorological basis. March 21 is the spring equinox and falls exactly halfway between the longest and the shortest days. So if June 21 is midsummer, March 21 was the middle of spring.

In fact, of course, neither is the case since the climate lags behind the position of the sun, due to the

case since the climate lags behind the position of the sun, due to the time necessary to warm the cold land mass and the sea. There is no reason why this lag should be exactly six and a half weeks, and indeed it varies with local conditions. The seasons can never be exactly defined (they are certainly not all the same length) and to attempt to do so can only foster false hopes, to be dashed by the inevitable blizzards. Yours faithfully, OLIVER GILLIE

Laugholzstrasse 29, CH 6330 Cham, Switzerland, March 24.

Union 'day of action' From M. George Mikes

Sir, Hundreds of thousands of people will make elaborate prepara-tions and incur vast expense to beat the Unions' Day of Protest on May 14. They will be disappointed, angry and fuming yet in most cases, frustrated and beaten. Would it not be much better if the Government or Parliament declared May 14 an extra holiday and we all—trade-unionists and others—enjoyed ourselves in our different ways? remain, Sir, GEORGES MIKES, 1b Dorncliffe Road, 5W6.

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Yours faithfully.

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COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE

April 2: The Queen, as Lord High Admiral, with The Dake of Edin-burgh, took the Lord High Ad-miral's Divisions at Eritannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth,

this morning.
Her Majesty and His Royal Highness arrived at Totnes Rail-way Station in the Royal Train and were received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for the

County of Devon (Field Marshal Sir Richard Hull).

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh then drove to Britanials Royal Naval College and were received by the Commander-in-Chief Naval Home Command (Admiral Ser Richard Claston) and the miral Sir Richard Clayton) and the Captain, Britannia Royal Naval College (Captain N. J. S. Hunt, R.N.).

R.N.).
The Parade, under the command of the Commander of the College (Commander R. N. Blair, R.N.) received Her Majesty with a Royal Salute and The Queen, with the Duke of Edinburgh, inspected the Parade and presented The

The Duke of Edinburgh, inspected the Parade and presented The Queen's Sword and telescopes.

The Prince Andrew passed out of the College.
Her Majesty, with His Royal Highness, honoured the Commander of the College and Officers with her presence at luncheou in the Gunroom Mass.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh this afternoon visited Slapton Ley Field Centre and were received by the Chairman of South Hams District Council (Councillor)

received by the Chairman of South Hams Diarrier Council (Councillor R. D. Cooper) and the President of the Field Studies Council (Prossor W. F. Grimes).

Her Maiesty and His Royal Highness then drove to Torcross and having been received by the Chairman. South West Water Authority (Mr L. Hill), inspected a section of the sea defence scheme works in progress.

Afterwards The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh visited the

Duke of Edinburgh visited the Headquarters of South Hams District Council at Follaton House, Totnes, and toured the Headquarters of Teignbridge District Council (Chairman, Councillor L. G. J. Pike) at Forde House, Newton Abbot

Newton Abbot.

The Marchioness of Abergavency. Mr William Heseltine. Mr Michael Shea, Rear-Admiril Leslie Townsend and Licutenant-Commander Robert Guy, R.N. were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE

April 2: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, as Patron of the Architects Benevolent Society, tius afternoon opened the Exten-tion to Frenchlands Hatch, East Horsley. The Hon Mrs Whitehead was in

ottendance.

Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, as Deputy Colonel-in-Chief of The Royal Anglian Regiment, received at Barnwell Manor Lieut-chant-Colonel F. A. H. Swallow on relinquishing command of the Telephone of the Telep relinquishing command of the 5th Battalion and Lieutenant-Colonel R. T. J. Wreford on assuming command.

Birthdays today

Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn, MP, 55; Mr Dennis Farr. 51; the Duke of Grafton, 61; Vice-Admiral Sir Alan McNicoll. 72; His Hon J. C. Maude, QC. 79; Sir John Ricks, 70; General Sir Ouvry Roberts, 82; Sir Godfrey Style, 65; Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Thomson, 72; Sir John Walley. 74 GOOD FRIDAY : Sir Robert Askin, 71; the Duke of Beaufort. 80; Sir John Beith, 65; Sir Francis Evans, 83: Brigadier Anne Field. 54; Earl Jellicoe, 62; Viscount Earl Jellico, 62; Viscount Leathers, 72; the Marques de Santa Cruz, 78.

Latest wills

Latest wills include (net, before

Nobley, Mr Bertram Edward, of Bournemouth . . . £128,512
Holmes, Mr Ernest, of Hamptonin-Arden, West Midlands £228,203
Robius, Mr Harold John, of Sidcup, Kent £137,680
Wintle, Mr Clarence, of Boscastle, Cornwall, chartered accountant

Gray's Inn

Mr Justice Anthony Bruce Ewbank has been elected a Master of the Bench of Gray's lan. Mr Justice Beattle, Governor General designate of New Zealand, has been elected an Honorary Master of the Bench of Gray's

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Riccardo Mutt. the dynamic Principal Conductor of the Phitharmonia Orchestra writes :

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politic Cranmer, Chairman MUSICIANS BENEVOLENT FUND. 18 Ogie Street, London, W1P 7LG.

Ed. Safir oder jedermann der weiss, wo er aufzufinden ist, BITTE MELDEN! Erich Döring, D-8052 Moosburg Tel. 00761-334.

Forthcoming marriages

and Miss M. L. Fairclough
The engagement is aunounced
and the marriage will take place
quietly between Charles, son of
the Right Hon Sir John Arnold,
of Bradfield, Berkshire, and of
Mrs Margaret Arnold, and Marion,
daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter
Fairclough, of Hanwell, West
Landough

Mr G. Auckland and Miss M. A. G. Ommanney The engagement is announced between George, son of Mr and Mrs George Auckland, of Blaxton, South Yorkshire, and Mary Ann Georgiua, younger daughter of the late Captain J. L. N. Ommanney, RN, and Mrs R. P. Lehmann, West Moon Hampeking Meon, Hampshire.

Mr P. A. Grenville and Miss B. M. G. Dalmas The cogagement is announced between Peter Anthony, eldest son

of the late R. B. Grenville and only son of Mrs J. P. Grenville (nee Wackrill). of Chelsea, and Brighte Marie Genevieve, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Alain Dalmas, of Veyrier Du Lac, Haute Savoie, France. Mr J. H. H. Mathews and Miss B. A. R. Thomas The engagement is announced between Jonathan eldest son of Mr and Mrs Jim Mathews, of

Pilston House, Llandogo, Mon-mouth, Gweut, and Benita, daugh-ter of Mrs Grace Thomas and the late Herbert Reginald Thomas, of 23 Mount Drive, Wembley Park, Middlesex.

The engagement is announced between Michael, younger son of the late Major and Mrs W. R. Potter, of London, and Fioua, cider daughter of Mr and Mrs J. H. D. Elias, of Mallorca.

Mr W. R. C. Shearer and Miss J. M. Jefferson

The engagement is announced between William, son of Mr and Mrs W. A. W. Shearer, of Poplars Farm, Wollaston. Northampton-Farm. Wollaston. Northampton-shire. and Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. A. Jefferson. of Upper Hurst. Hathersage, Derbyshire.

Luncheons

HM Government Lord Carrington HM Government
Lord Carrington, Secretary of
State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday
at a luncheon held in bonour of
Dr Goh Keng Swee, Deputy Prime
Minister of Singapore, at 1 Carlton
Gardens. Others present were:
The High Commissioner for Singapore,
Mr Low Chonn Ming, Mr Mark Carlisle,
Mr Low Chonn Ming, Mr Mark Carlisle,
Mr Chort MP, Mr Peter Hardy, MP,
Mr Gr T. Checketts, Mr T. W. Scott,
Mr K. F. X. Burns and Mr G. G. H.
Walden.

Sir Reginald Murley, President of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, yesterday entertained at luncheon at the college Sir Frank McFadzean, Mr G. J. Wilklus and Professor J. Gordon Robson.

Company of Master Mariners The Master, Commander and Alderman Sir Robin Gillett, RNR, presided at a court luncheon given by the Company of Master Mariners on board Headquarters Mariners on board neadquarters ship Wellington, Victoria Embankment yesterday. The First Sea Lord, Admiral Sir Henry Leach, replied to the toast of the guests, proposed by the Master.

Reception

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Association
Sir Nigel Fisher, MP, deputy chairman, United Kingdom branch, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, and Mr B. G. Irvine, MP, chairman, British Canadian group, were hosts at a reception beld yesterday afternoon at Westminster Hall to enable members of the all-party Britisa-Canadian group to meet the Canadian High Commissioner.

Dinner

English-Speaking Union Lord Bethell, Mr Thomas Pendry, MP, Mr Derek Johnson and Mr Richard Barber were the guests of honour at a dinner given before a meeting of the English-Speaking Union Debating Society at Dart-mouth House last night. Mr Richard Blausten was in the chair.

Requiem Masses Archbishop of San Salvador

Archbishop of San Salvador
The Archbishop of Canterbury was
represented by the Bishop of
Chelmsford at a solemn requiem
Mass for the Archbishop of San
Salvador which was concelebrated
yesierday in Westminster Cathedra! by the Cardinal Archbishop
of Westminster the auxiliary bisof Westminster, the auxiliary bishops of Westminster and Bishop Patrick Casey. The Rev Christo-pher Hill and the Rev John Nightingale were robed and in the Sanctuary and the lay preacher in the Nave was Mr Hugh Hanning. Lord Trefgarne represented the Secretary of State for Com-monwealth Affairs.

Dr C. Carev A requiem Mass for Dr Charles Carey was offered at The Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Burnt Ash Hill, Lee, on Thursday, March 27, followed by burial at Hither Green Cemetery. The concele-brants were Father John Devane (nephew), Father Anthony Logan, Father E. Becher, Father P. Flanarather c. becher, Father F. Flaha-gan, Father K. Greene, Father C. Keen, Father P. McLoughlin, Father P. Murtagh, Father J. Nolan, Father D. O'Malley, the Very Rev P. Pearson, Father H. Turner and Father W. Dempsey, assisted by two deacons, the Rev E. Driscoll and the Rev J. Clesham Mgr A. M. Gilbey was also present in the Sanctuary.



The Queen speaking to Prince Andrew, a cadet at the Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, as she inspected the passing-out parade yesterday. The prince has completed his training course.

'Kimberley' brooch fetches £20,000 to an anonymous buyer for \$8,000 (estimate £10,000 to £12,000), and a second anonymous purchaser paid £7,000 for an impression of Kuniyoshi's celebrated print. The View of the Bank of the Omma (estimate £1,500 to £2,000). A two-day sale of furniture

A sale of Jewels at Christie's yesterday made a total of £251.460, with 10 per cent bought in and most of the more expensive lots going to the London trade. S. J. Phillips paid £25,000 for an attractive antique emerald and diamond pendant in the form of a cross enclosed in a frame of collets and leaves (estimate £26,000 to £28,000).

A diamond pendant brooch went to Benjamin at £20,000 (estimate £10,000 to £12,000). The diamonds that formed it bad been presented to Mrs Joseph Chamberlain by De Beers and the Ladies of Kimberley in January, 1903, presumably as a memento of the relief of that town. Christie's also sold English and

foreign silver, producing £87,785, with 27 per cent bought in. Buying appears to have been fairly cautious. A four-piece tea and coffee service by Martin Hall & Co. of Sheffield, dated 1859 and 1887, made 52,200 (estimate 1887, made 52 £1.200 to £1,800). At Sotheby's Belgravia there was a sale of French and Con-

Sponsorship of

dance company

theatres in

' modern dance and

world. He said that one of the Edinburgh productions would be

second an important

production using every dance device known to modern theatre

Prints sponsored Editourgh Festival productions of Carmen, the Degas exhibition and the Royal Shakespeare Company. Mr. Tony Wilcocks, Edinburgh representative of BP, described the

company's earlier sponsorships as "conservative".

Thursday

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Palace I public welcomed: HG. 8.30:
M. 11: Eucharist, 7.30. Byrd Threepair Mass,
ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER:
Sung Eucharist, 6.30: followed by
Vigil of Peace until noon on Good
Friday,
GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley
Street Solemn Eucharist, 6.30: pm.
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ST COLUMBA'S Church of Scenland, Pont Street: HC, 8, the Rev W. A. Cairus.

Good Friday

Services for Maundy

has sponsored Edinburgh

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From Ronald Faux

foremost dance

Thursday

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tinental furniture, clocks and works of art, which made £193,953, with 4.2 per cent failing to find buyers. To some tastes the prices paid for the more expensive items will have proved expensive items.

paid for the more expensive items will have proved rather surprising, since for the most part they were pieces of furniture made in about 1900 but based on eighteenth-century designs.

For instance, a pair of kingwood display cabinets applied with gilt bronze decoration went to Bonrose Antiques, of London, at £3,000 (estimate £3,000 to £4,000), and A. & F. Gordon paid £7,800 for a pair of harewood and marquetry commodes with marble tops (estimate £2,500 to £4,000). Of the slightly earlier pieces, a of the slightly carlier pieces, a Louis XVI style porcelain-mounted git bronze and chony centre table of the 1870s made 54,500 (estimate £3,000 to £5,000).

In Bond Street Sotheby's sold language prints, heaks and paint.

In Bond Street Softney's soid Japanese prints, books and paintings, making \$167.710, with 7 percent bought in, and ninetecuth-century European paintings and watercolours, producing \$47,439, with 10 per cent failing to sell. Among the former was an impression of Hokusai's most famous print, The Great Wave, which went

Latest appointments 25 years ago

Legal Lord Justice Roskill has been appointed a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary, succeeding Lord Lane and Mr Justice Watkins, VC, is to be a Lord Justice of Appeal in succession to Lord Justice Roskill.

Edinburgh

A £25,000 sponsorship by BP of the Australian Dance Theatre at this year's Edinburgh Festival was announced yesterday. The company will appear in two programmes at the Royal Lyceum Theatre during the first week of the festival, which begins on August 17. Roskill.

Mr Peter Edlin Webster, QC, Mr
Martin Charles Nourse, QC, and
Mr Thomas Henry Bingham, QC,
are to be judges of the High
Court. Mr Webster and Mr Bingham will be in the Queen's Bench
Division and Mr Nourse in the
Chancery Division. August 17.
Mr John Drummond, the fes-tival director, described the Australian company as one of the

Other appointments include: Mr Donald Murray to be Am-bassador to Sweden in succession to Sir Jeffrey Peterson, who will be retiring from the Diplomatic Service. Mr John Morgan to be Ambassador

to the Republic of Korea in succession to Mr W. S. Bates, who will be retiring from the Diplomatic Service.

Mr Peter Hancox to be chairman of the Southern Gas Consumers' Council until March, 1983, Sir Ralph Verney to be chairman of the Nature Conservancy Council from May 1 in succession to Professor F. G. T. Holliday.

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ROYAL HOSPITAL, Chelsea (public admitted RC) a 3 st and hour chapter. RC a 3 st and hour chapter Robert Williams of An hour Palace (public welcomed) An hour devotion by the Cross, non to 1 pm.

GOOD FINDAY

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWTH: 12

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(sild), Palam 22 R.00 HC in the GROST-LNOR CHAPEL. South tudge

From The Times summary of the newspaper strike period for Saturday, April 2, 1955. Forces for Malaya From Our Own Correspondent

A two-day sale of furniture, silver and jewelry held by Sotheby King and Chasemore, in Pulborough, made £93,310, with 20 per cent bought in. Both a late Victorian satinwood and tasks.

mahogany Carlton House desk and an Art Deco pave-set diamond bracelet reached \$2,600, the former

In Torquay Sotheby Bearne also sold silver, producing 589.746, with a 20 per cent unsold figure. An early George III baluster cof-

and the latter 5850 to

Canberra, April 1.—Mr Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, atmounced today the composition of the forces the government intends to send to Malaya as soon as possible. These forces would be part of a larger joint reserve including United Kingdom and New Zealand forces. The Australian contribution includes: an infantry battalion with support-ing arms backed by reinforceients in Australia : a fignter wii of two squadrons, a bomber wing of one squadron, and an airfield of one squadron, and an airfield construction squadron; two destroyers or frigates, an aircraft carrier on an annual visit, and additional ships in an emergency. The Australian forces would be ready to take the field at once, if needed. Mr Menzies said, but the Cabinet had not decided whether they would be used in the present campaign against the Communist terrorists in Malaya: a decision would be made before they left. would be made before they left

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New Queen's Counsel Science report Genetics: Introducing new genes

By the Staff of Nature

Scientists in Los Angeles have developed a method for introducing new genetic information into bone marrow cells of mice and then transferring them back into the animals, where they can proliferate and develop into blood cells in the normal way.

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As a first step, mouse bone marrow cells have been made resistant to the potent anticancer drug, methotrexate. If that new twist could be added to human bone marrow transplantation, one benefit might he the possibility of treating tumours more effectively by making the bone marrow more re-sistant to the damaging side-effects of anticancer drugs. Dr M. J. Cline and his colleagues

at California University made mouse bone marrow cells resistant to methotrexate by mixing them with genetic material, deoxyribo-nucleic acid (DNA), from a laboratory culture of cells that were a'ready resistant to the drug. Methotrexate damages cells by inthe activity of the enzyme.

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row cells from closely related mice without the distinctive chromosome. The mixture of cells was then injected into mice that had

been irradiated to reduce their own bone marrow drastically. The mice were given a course of treatment with methotrexate to ensure that resistant cells would ensure that resistant cells would have the advantage during proliferation to restore the lost bone marrow. After 10 days samples of blood and bone marrow were evamined, and the predominance of cells with the distinctive chromosome indicated that resistance had been conferred on those originally treated with DNA.

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scientists repeated the whole pro-cedure, with the difference that

cedure, with the difference that the distinctive bone marrow cells were untreated while those from

the closely related mice were mixed with the DNA. Back in

drug resistance, so that treatment is available to kill any cells that are not resistant Transformed cells can then proliferate preferentially. Transplantation of human bone

marrow is now an accepted pro-cedure, and a possible clinical application of Dr Cline's technique might be to enhance the methotrevate resistance of bone marrow and blood of cancer patients receiving treatment with the drug. That would enable them to rolerate higher doses. Another, more distant possibility might be to take advantage of drug resistance genes by linking them to genes that could correct deforts in courtly blood discrete them to genes that could correct defects in certain blood, diseases, and introducing both together into defective cells.

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Today's engagements The Queen and the Date of Edin-burgh attend Man Service. Worcester Cathedral, the Queen distributes Royal Maundy

distributes Royal money, 11. Aquatints exhibition. The Work-shop, 83 Lamb's Conduit Street, Bloomsbury, 10.30 to 5.30, National Boys' and Girls' Exhibi-tion, Alexandra Palace, north London, 11 to 7.

Family Centre, Natural History Museum, South Consington, activities for children and par-ents, 10.30 to 4. Profilement artists, Natural History Museum, 3.

OBITUARY

M PIERRE ETCHEBASTER A great Real Tennis champion

line of masters of Real Tennis his application, especially as in from the Rackets chi.

or Jeu de Paume in France—
Paris there was little play of Jock Souter, who might whose extreme skill has not the quality that could extend been his most serious risince been approached.

It was therefore on his it not been for a physical since been approached. He will also loom large in Real Termis history as the man who held the World's Champlouship for 26 years, from 1928 to 1954, the longest reign known to the game. In spite of so long a supremacy his position was no sinecure, for he defended scratch. .. This he followed by putting up a splendid fight playing level at Lords against the amahis title successfully seven times teur champion, E. N. Baerlein, in all before he retired in 1954 who won a memorable match by three sets to one it was at the unprecedented age of sixty. Among the exceptional now clear that he had great things ahead, and in 1926 an American, M. Watson; backed qualities by which he achieved so much, was, first and fore-most, his swift and tireless activity by which he was to run many of his adversaries to a standstill. There was also his unfailing accuracy, whether in the floor game or in forcing for to his reputation as he had already done when holding his own with Jay Gould, the Ameri-can amateur and past world the openings, the result of countless hours of practice. Yet the sternest critics, while admitting his establishment among the great champions, would probably hesitate to place him can amateur and past world champion, in an exhibition match at Prince's. It therefore occasioned little surprise when in 1928 at his second attempt he defeated Lovey by seven sets to three, when after an even first day's play the older man could no longer sustain his effort. Although he had won this match largely by his powers at the very peak, for he had little of the severity of stroke

acquire. He was born in May, 1894, in the Basque country where from boyhood he became a master at Pelota-a game which he was to resort to again in hard times
—and came to Paris in 1923 at
the age of 28. Even endowed
as he was with his native and came to Paris in 1923 at himself to all conditions, becoming supreme in the United as he was with his native physical qualities of quickness, endurance and the natural alli-

of his predecessors, Jay Gould and G. F. Covey, from whom he won the title, or of the great Peter Latham in the age before

that. Of Etchebaster it can at

any rate be said that there has

seldom been a more thoughtful tactician or one who could use more ingeniously the deep

knowledge of the game that he had been at such pains to

Professor John Platt, CEng, FIMinE, FIMM, who died on March 29 at the age of 56, after a long illness, was a prominent figure in the world mining engineering and had influenced many generations of

An early George III baluster coffee pot by Francis Crump, of London, went to the London dealer. Freeman, at £2,130 (estimate £1,000 to £1,500).

There was a sale of furniture and carpets at Harrods Auction Galleries, which made £32,670, with 27 per cent bought in. A Victorian mre-piece walnut drawing room suite of chairs went to students. His long association with the University of Wales began in 1941, when as a Powell Duffryn company scholar, he com-menced his mining engineering studies at University College. Cardiff. Graduating with first class honours in 1944, he returned to his work in the ing room suite of chairs went to a private buyer at £2,200). Powell Duffryn mines in South Wales, where he remained until 1947 when he received his first appointment to the academic staff of his former university department. In 1948 he removed to Canada where he received a lecturing appointment at the Institute of Technology and Art, University of Edmonton at Calgary, Alberta.

SENATOR JOSEPH TARKA

Senator Joseph Sarwuan above all, a leader of the Tiv people-has died in London, aged 50. Tarka was originally elected from his own area of Tiv Division to the Nigerian Federal Parliament in 1954. He became president of the United

Middle Belt Congress and cam-paigned among the Christian people of the centre and north of Nigeria for the creation of a Middle Belt State. The eventual subdivision of Nigeria into 12 states in 1967, including six in the former north, represented a triumph for this campaign and owed much to his activities together with that of his friend the Head of State at the time. General Yakubu Gowon General (Nigeria is now divided ino 19 states.)

Tarka was appointed to the Federal Executive Council as Commissioner for Transport under Gowon and served for seven years. He continued to fight for the preservation of Nigeria's federal unity in the civil war from 1967 to 1970 and for welcoming back the "Biafrans" with their rightful share of federal jobs and patronage once the war had ended. In gratitude for his generosity he was awarded an

Ibo chieftainship title. He resigned from the Executive Council in 1964 (following a complicated scandal involving allegations of corruption) and devoted himself to creating a successful business enterprise, but returned to politics with the return of civilian rule last year. He was a founder member of the National Movement, which gave birth to the National Party of Nigeria, the present ruling party. He lost a campaign for the presidential candidacy in the nominating convention, but gave loval support in the election campaign to Alhaji Shebu Shagari, the eventual President of Nigeria. Tarka was elected Senator by an overwhelming majority of the Tiv Division, whose votes he brought with him to the NPN.

In the Senate, as an elder statesman, he displayed his political skills in keeping together the NPN-NPP alliance and maitaining good relations with the President. He will be missed by many friends, by his own people of Tiv and by all Nigeria.

Mr Robert Hurley, the Canadion artist, died on March 31 in Victoria at the age of 85. He was born in London but settled in Saskatoon in 1928. His career began there and during the depression he was encouraged by Saskatoon artist Ernest Lind. mer. Hurley moved to Victoria in 1963 where he continued to paint his well-known landscapes until his death.

Correction

Major-General B. A. Coad, whose death was reported last week. was educated at Felsted | School, Essex.

M Pierre Etchebaster, who ance of foot, hand and eye, the W. Kinsella, at Princhas died in San Jean de Luz, remarkable progress that he being appointed to the France, at the age of 86, will made in so short a time at this York Racquet and Tenn be remembered as the last of a intricate game is a tribute to he won the American On visits to England that he gained down. Thenceforth he experience; and his first sign troubled until challenge of advance came when he won from younger men, two o the professional handicap from were contstanding Ar amateurs. times without great di

He defended his title against Ogden Phipps i 1948 and 1949; and agi B. Martin in 1950 and 19 his closest contest was when he beat the Britis champion, J. Dean by se to four in New York] was in the balance on him against Covey for the World's Championship: Although defeated at Prince's Club, Knightsbridge, by seven sets to four, Etchebaster added activity, whereas Etche were nearly unimpaired were nearly unimpaired interesting then to we intelligent change years, whereby his leng of the stroke imparte speed so that he relic than formerly upon winners and in avoid long rallies that were or to his will. After his rehe played many or matches both in the effort. Although he had won this match largely by his powers of return and steadiness, he was all this time adding pace to his game; and he increased his attack by perfecting his railroad service and by his voileying of the returns which, with his short stature, he took farther up the court than is generally the way.

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PROFESSOR JOHN PLA TT

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Returning to the University ber of the Institution of Wales, he received his second and Metallurgy. academic appointment in 1955, and soon established a reputation for his work and interest ment at the Pontyificia in the behaviour of strata sur- dad Catolica Del Peru. rounding mine excavations in was recognized in 197 which he retained an active interest right up to his retirement. He was appointed professor time of his illness he sor of mineral exploitation at University College, Cardiff, in 1968 and occupied the chair with distinction to 1979. During this period he wavelled widely, promoting his research interests and concern for mining education. He was equally active in the development of his profes-

He was elected to the Council of the South Wales Institute of of the South Wales Institute of Engineers and to the South Mestern Branch of the Institute able contributions to tion of Mining Engineers in education. 1952, becoming joint president. He is survived in 1977. He was a council memand two children.

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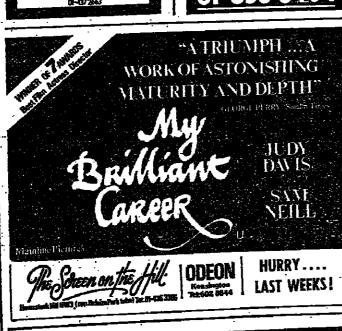
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A taxing recital programme by the Cleveland Quartet on Tues-day showed that a physically strenuous European tour has far from sapped their musical strength. As if in defiance of such rigours, they played with the sort of exhibitation that can succeed only in the presence of impeccable technique and unfailing confidence of ensemble. The evening's centrepiece

was Mendelssohn's Quartet in A minor, Opus 13, No 2, one of his earliest works for the medium and one that vibrates with a characteristic pervous energy. As though hoping to gain thereby a quicker release from the tensions of the first movement, the Cleveland chose speeds on the ambitious side of allegro vivace, but those were more than justified by the re-sulting mood of feverish frenzy; the music was more than once in danger of tumbling headlong, always to be reined in at the

last moment.
In Beethoven's third Rasumovsky Quartet that concentra-tion of energy was channelled less ferociously, though no less reflectively, into an intellectual, almost analytical reading. All the edges were softened here; there was no barshness or force ing of tone, and yet there was no loss of impetus. In particular, we could admire the violing beautifully matched cantabile, specially warm in the Andante, the rich colouring in the cello line and the well rounded, vibrant viola tone all virtuoso individualists when called upon to be so, yet all able to blend perfectly in the interests of good ensemble.

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Circus troupe, with a tightrope walker and jugglers of high skill, far better than one has any right to expect in an opera on the boards in London, so it was a good choice for one of the operas of the brief season that Scottish Opera are giving in Rosebery Avenue. Their production of the opera dates from 1978. It looks well, even on this small stage. The unit set, by Sue Blane, consists of a platform of planks which winds along the back of the acting area and curls down and round to debouch on to a tilted disc. Adjacent to it, various simple props set the scene for each ct; behind it can be seen the

The Bartered Bride

Sadler's Wells

golden skies and gentle hills, the forests and the meadows, of Smetana's beloved Bohemia, evoked with an appropriate warmth and sympathy.

A lot of trouble seems to have been taken over the costumes, attractive and colourful in a way apt to a Czech village in festive mood hundred years ago. There are one or two silly, quite unneces-sary anachronisms, inserted (one presumes) just in case we were to think David Pountney's were to think David Pountney's production too diligently historical; one of them was a modern bicycle. But in general the action is well and carefully managed. The crowd scenes especially go with a swing. The Furiant, for example, is denced by the assembled villagers, with a proper rustic vitality. And

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Czech music, Sir Charles Mac-

kerras made a natural and res-

oundingly successful last-minute substitute for an indisposed

rhythms, but the ebullient per-

formance had its charm, with

woodwinds sounding fresh and clear as spring flowers.

Even so, the real earthy

truths came after the interval

than any other conductor in my

experience how to extract the

full intoxicating effect from

who were responsible for the performance's denial of the opera's winsomeness, charm and delicacy. in an instant the spell of awe. He made the work a testament of faith which took full notice the strangeness and indi-

viduality of the composer's grounds for relief. In this he was helped not only by the RPO and the thrilling, well-drilled Brighton Festival Chorus, but also of With a programme entirely of course by the text. The word
"veruju", for instance, can
sound like a hooting bird call,
whereas its Latin equivalent
"credo" for historical as much Zdenek Macal at Tuesday night's leave the church. The chorus used these touches of animal onomatopoeia with great semi-Royal Philharmonic concert. In the first half Sir Charles replaced Dvorák's seventh symphony with his fifth, and that tivity, and at other times evoked the gloomy splendour too was a fruitful change, for it allowed him to get the conof Eastern ceremonial. cert moving in a warm and cheering manner that is par-ticularly his own. One might have wished at times for subtler

Among the soloists, Teresa Cabill quite properly intro-duced, sweetly but with emotional weight, the personal voice of a Janacek heroine. Anne Collins and John Shirley. Quirk were both good in their small contributions, but Louis Devos was less satisfactory. He had a silver rasp of a Slav tenor and the wabble, but he in a vital and jubilant account of Janacek's Glagolitic Mass. Sir Charles understands better disagreed with the others on points of pronunciation and he was sometimes drowned by the orchestra. However, perhaps the real trouble is that, after Mussorgsky, it is extra-ordinarily difficult to trust a tenor singing in anything that Janarek's barbaric repetitions, how to make his quirky ideas work in the interests of expressive force and how to summon sounds like Russian.

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

The French cinema at its unforgettable best

Les Enfants du Paradis (A) Academy

Tom Horn (AA) Warner, West End

MGM Season National Film Theatre

It is always reassuring to see Les Enfants du Paradis again, and to find that after 35 years it is still as exceptional as we remembered it. More than any other film it is like a great novel in its physical length (three hours) and narrative sweep, its ability to create a whole world and a scale of time in which its people grow and develop, live and die. It was made during the German occupation of France, between 1942 and 1945; the

present credit titles acknowledge the "clandestine collaboration" of the Jewish
designer and composer, Alexander Trauner and Joseph
Kosma, Perhaps just because it was made at this unhappiest moment in France's history it so successfully escapes into another, past era. No other film has ever so completely evoked the Paris of the Romantic period, of Sue and Balzac and Daumier, of great salzac and Daumier, or great courtesans and criminals. The setting is the Boulevard du Temple (known as the Boulevard du Crime), and its heroes are the stage idols of the time, Jean-Baptiste Debureau, the pantomime, and the tragedian Frédéric Lemaitre. Their fates are involved with

those of the splendid courtesan Garance, the dashing vulpine criminal Lacenaire, a truly Balzacian evil count (Garance's paracian evil count (Garance's jealous protector) and Debureau's meek yet fanatical wife. In its tragic conclusion—the inevitable doom of true love in a badly ordered uni-verse—the romanticism of the 1840s mingles with the other, characteristic romanticism of the film's authors, the director Marcel Carné and writer Jacques Preevert. The same team's Quai des Brumes and Hôtel du Nord had defined the special tone of romantic fatalism—" poetic realism" that characterized French cinema at the end of the thirties; they had gone on to make another masterplese of the Occupation, Les Visiteurs du Soir.

au sor.

If Les Enfants du Paradis
has some quality of a novel, it
also approaches the theatre—
without sacrificing any of its there is plenty of interesting circumstantial detail: beer drinkers, vendors' stalls, live chickens, or panto horse, and above all a really first-class

vitv.



truly cinematic quality—in the high relief of its main performances. There are perhaps no more memorable dramatic creations in all French cinema than Arletty's serene and fatal courtesan, Pierre Brasseur's tinsel tragedian, Barrault's tragedian, Barrault's moon-struck Pierrot straight from the lithographs of the period, Maria Casarès's tor-mented, tormenting wife, Pierre poetic. Renoir's satanic beggar and the sinister Lacenaire of Marcel Herrand, a fine stage actor and director who was never before or after to make so notable an

appearance on the screen. Les Enfants du Paradis reopens at the Academy in a finer and more complete print than has ever before been seen in London. Last year a poll conducted by the French Film Academy, on the fiftieth anni-versary of French sound films, nominated it as the best French film ever made. As a result new prints were struck from the original negative (previous copies shown here have always been from a reduced duplicate negative) so that we can now see the film in pristine state of sound and image.
Steve McQueen is one of the

costliest stars in Hollywood:
Variety recently alleged that he would not even read a script

None of this is parelleled by an equivalent musical sensiti-

evening was far too loud. It is

doubtless difficult to judge the

acoustics of an unfamiliar theatre, but not as difficult as

the constant pressure on our eardrums suggested. Certainly

the conductor, Albert Rosen, made life hard for his singers.

If any of them had subtleties to

offer they were prevented from doing so: increed the bartered

bride herself, Marie Slorach,

was mostly covered by the orchestra—which was a pity, because when she was audible it was clear that she was copable

of drawing a firm line with a

pleasant gleam to the sound and

expressing Marenka's music with some charm.

Allen Cathcart, the Jensk, sang plainly and quite lustily. William McCue, with greater

resources, sometimes was able to shade Kecal's music with due

homour; most of the best moments came from him. Alex-

ander Oliver showed less imagi-

nation than I expected from him as Vasek. But it was chiefly

the none too assured Scottish Opera Orchestra and Mr Rosen

For a start, the entire

power at the box office. It seems unwise, though—presumably on the assumption that his personal drawing power is in itself enough—to squander so costly an asset on a peculiar little fable like Tom Horn.

This Horn—we are invited to suppose that he is a real his-torical character—is a Western torical character—is a Western adventurer of the early twentieth century, a child of nature, the symbol of freedom, already an anachronism in a West that is closed and developing. He still has his uses, however: the state of the control of the symbol. ranchers' association hire him to rid them of rustlers, which he does, in the innocence of his nature, by brutally gunning them down.

When his services are no longer necessary, and his murderous style is an

business men, they rid themselves of Horn by framing him
on a murder charge. Horn, unable to fangle the ways of the
staved in favour; but it owned on a murder charge. Horn, un-able to fangle the ways of the new civilization and its legal system, is defenceless; his only resource is a gallant and dignified exit on the gallows. The parable about exploita- starving the young but over-

without guarantees that five tion and the film's hard million dollers were available pessimism (the same mood was to remunerate his drawing noted last week in the British film Silver Dream Racer) are very much of the moment. It is a crudely put together film, though: Horn's sudden develop-ment from bloody butcher to idealist noble savage is as abrupt as his apparent mental retardation is inconsistent with a gallant remance with the local school teacher. It is directed with a lot of violence and little style by William Wiard; no film that still uses slow motion for death scenes can have very much in its favour.

There never was a studio like MGM in the golden years. The company came into being in 1924 through a series of mer-gers, and for the next quarter of a century its preeminence in Hollywood was unchallenged. The dominant figure through all these years was Louis B. Mayer. embarrassment to one-time a-Jewish emigré from Russia pioneers who are now aspiring who had started his working life to the civilized respectability of as a junk man in Canada, and them too, and supervised every aspect of their lives, private as well as public-making or frus-trating marriages for the stars;

bonny Judy Garland into slim-ness, submission and eventual

neurosis. Meyer was a shrewd businessman, an unabashed sentimenta-list and a vulgarian—which gave him a keen sense of the taste of most of his audience. He also believed that only money will

buy the best and, quite corbuy the best and, quite correctly, that the secret of success in movies lay in the stars.

So, from the first, MGM's ambirion, boast and slogan was "More Stars Than There Are in Heaven". MGM had Gable, Garbo, Garland, Crawford, Harlow, the Barrymores, Eddy and MacDonald, Norma Shearer. Paramount might have Dietrich: Fox Shirley Temple and rich; Fox, Shirley Temple, and Warners, Bette Davis; but MGM won out in sheer force

of numbers.

MGM's best years were those when Mayer had the successive collaboration of two production chiefs of intelligence and taste, Irving Thalberg and David O. Selznick. Under them, MGM's directors were stars also: artists like "One-Take" Woody Van Dyke, the adventurer who made Trader Horn and Tarzan of the Apes and later created the Thin Man films and the Nelson Eddy-Jeanette MacDonald oper-ettas; George Cukor, a man of exquisite taste and skill and an idolator of actresses like Garbo, Hepburn and Garland; Hing Vidor, a director of variety and inspiration; Rouben Mamoulian, a visual artist as well as a prodigal innovator; Clarence Brown, a great craftsman and pictorialist; Victor Fleming, who was to release within the space of a year The Wisard of Oz and Gone With the Wind.

The National Film Theatre is currently in full flood of a major MGM season which spreads through most of the year. The season is notable because in the past the com-pony has been reluctant to col-laborate on such tributes to its own history: and landmarks like Ben Hur, Vidor's La Boheme and The Big Parade, and the early Garbo films (scheduled for the summer) have rarely been seen. current section of the MCM season is dedicated to Fig. Directors, though inevitably the stars are also well in evidence. The rarities on view in the coming week include three of the Thin Men pictures, Lunt and Fontanne in The Guardsmen, and King Vidor's The Cherry (1931) shown alongside Franco Zeifirelli's 1979 remake. A special treature, on Monday, is King Vidor's silent comedy about the whims of Hollywood, Show People (1923), which proves that William Rendolph Hearst's loyal mistress. Marina Davies, was a gifted and charming comedian, and very much more than just the pert and pretty face that legend has

allowed her. David Robinson

attentions he has never received

In compartion Soumes is a

gift of a part, and bie Ted

The Shadow of a Gunman Other Place

Irving Wardle

centenary production replaces the upstage windows of the tenement room with a back wall think at first, and then recog-

bankruptcy and earned its author £4. With this piece, articulating the farcical horrors of the time, O'Casey achieved a mesmeric hold over the Dublin audience who subsequently never forgave him for turning his back on them.

Without denying the play's public aspect. Michael Boadanov's production also asis you to remember its devious and unberoic creator who had quit the Irish Citizens' Army when things started turning nasty. He was already 43 when The Gummon appeared, but it is still a

young men's play, fired by a same act: idealistic heroics in mixture of arrogance and self-locabing of a men to whom the act of writing is at once a life's IRA fans start besieging the mission and a cowardly evasion door, bestowing the finitering or reality.

This matters because it has as a poet. I've Ponnington of the play. The Gunum consists of a duologue tradition: a playboy who never

between the two occupants of the room: the peddlar Seumas and the poet Donal whom the rest of the house mistake for violently splashed. Blood, you an IRA man on the run. Past sublime lack of scheworchis, an IRA man on the run. Past audiences have laughed at Seumas and the other tenement dwellers, and admired the superbly controlled collisions of park horror and irreclaimable Dublin absurdity. But the sight of Donal queting Shelley and patronizing the rest of the company has been seen as a ganing with umbrella swiges 1921. are: huge ink blots.

The Shadow of a Gumman has been much celebrated as a public play. First performed during the war of independence, it saved the Abbey Theatre from bankruptcy and earned is: pany has been seen as a gaping flaw in the middle of the play.

It does not seem so this time. Michael Pennington's Donal avoids any trace of ingratiation. He spits out his contempt for the people, treats his visitors with a condescension that makes you squirm, and suc-cumbs to Dearbhla Molloy's Minnie, the girl who finally dies for him, with a patronizing lust worthy of O'Casey's own confessions in that department.

not including the four-minute interval with cucumber sand-wiches, they frequently tackle

more than one victim at a time.

The collage dramas of Charles

with umbrella swings that almost decoritate his wife; and Killen McKenna as the non-cruck Tommy trembling from head to foot in most timicity before raising the roof with a Republican cherus. Mr Begdanov's production is rightly a colebration of dramatic character: it also under-scores the play's un organica irony in those repeated that test where smugness and fairs

heroics possess the stage in the As a result he and Norman moment before the next cor-Rodway's marvellous Seumas burst of gunfire sends courgene come over as two sides of the scurrying for cover.

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Cunningham and John Cett. The homely pretersion of the

genre is electively more by a description of Viartha Gar-ham as the Freddie Lahor of dance, but the wit of Recamend

Attwood's Grobemesque dance

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pure joy, as are several other

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How many members of the

threstened EEC orchestras were watching Hollywood on Tues-day? Those who were must

have savoured a bitter moment.

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cians in work in America. When

Tuesday night's episode

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Decadent theatre, I suppose we can call it. A 1980 nail in the coffin of the modern movement which anyway died last year or the year before. Merric Prankés is an extended April fool's joke, a lavish satire on the twentieth-century manis for experiment. It takes knowledgeable potshots at those strains of theatre which attempt to sharter the traditional rela-tionships between audience and actors and between text and performance, and the fact that Martin Duncan and David Ultz manage so many palpable hits is a sign that those experinits is a sign that those experiments have become the standard language of the stage.

Although the evening is divided into five distinct parts,

Marowitz take the first ham-mering, in an assemblage of the rects of Hedda Gabler and Hamler with both leading roles rolled into one and played by Darlene Johnson. A straight-faced programme note justifies the jumble of language and confusion of action with onota-tions and theatrical precedents, but the intent is strictly comic. In some of the sections, the Hedde/Hamlet included, cogniscenti have the advantage on scoffers because the satires are

scoffers because the satires are obscure. That collage is based on designs by Philip Prowse for the Citizens' Theatre in Glossacre, with the Citizens' Theatre i

other survivors remembering the great fear which swept Hollywood as idol after idol

they came, balf were put out of work immediately, and by 1932 only 4,000 were left. "It was a shock", Frank Capra said, "to hear a voice come out of a shadow." The number of intalligent, comthis series was easily up to the high standard set by the rest, being studded with memorable moments: Mussolini barking for

mercially successful people who regarded talkies as a passing fad was, well, no shock at all. dressing the -audience for banks, the "romance" of Holly- on a great variety of musical Dream Street in 1921, intoxi- wood, and thus ended, for me, sources.)

cated by the anticipated sound a highly agreeable way of of his own voice; Mrs Patrick campbell intoning "Come unto me all ye that labour", first was a simple one, but carried with a rayishing despness and then with the twang her purils: a sense is twenty and floir. In then with the tweng her purils a sense it was record. Filling were meant to eschew; Collean designed to make large rule. Moore, still as bright as a button, recalling how she paid \$100 to be saught to say "mother"; and their history accorded "into significance, although nothing has shaped twentieth-claimy sensibilities more fungawas found not to have a

> producers and their team, and a special accolede for Coll Davis, who composed virtually the entire 13-hour scructures. Did you notice it? Or did it just sound "right"? It was in fact an intricate and rickly

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on too much and over-extend the sketches too aften trappo-duce an entirely settifactory performance. The discontinu of a promonale performence is another of their targets, so the audience is shiften whenever it makes itself comfortable and than further hawildered by the failure of a video show and the doubling of parts in a Chei how satire. Erecht, too, becomes a victim in an initially invertex blend of Mother Courage and Mother Goose, but that benefits too the part of the

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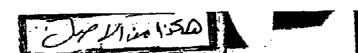
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astonishing surge in American interest rates continued yesterday when Chemical Bank became the first to set a prime rate of 20 per cent. This is the amount the bank charges its most creditworthy industrial customers, but most loans cost considerably more.

From Anthony Hilton

New York, April 2

Several other banks followed:
First National Bank of
Chicago andn Continental
Illinois among the giants, with
Harris Trust and Savings and Harris Trust and Savings and the Bank of St Louis among the smaller fry who had joined Chemical on the record-setting 20 per cent mark by midday. Frime rates have now in-creased 14 times since January 1, almost entirely as a result of the Federal Reserve Board's squeeze. When it began its credit tightening policy last October prime rates were only

The main reason why rates upward are continuing to rise is that demand for loans from the business community is still strong. The most recent figures released by the Fed showed that commercial and industrial loans on the books of the nation's large banks jumped \$818m last week, and \$1,400m the previous

US prime rates move up

in industry loan demand

to 20pc with no let-up

The Fed has already asked banks to cut back commercial lending to show no more than 9 per cent increase on last year's levels, but currently loans are running 13 per cent

Traditionally the banks relied on cheap money from cus-tomers' current accounts tomers' current accounts—which carry no interest to meet this industrial loan demand. But because of the high returns offered elsewhere, this source has all but dried up. Instead the banks have been

forced to issue high coupon certificates to raise the cash to meet their customers' needs.
The nominal cost of these
funds to the banks is 17-18 per cent. But the Fed also recently increased the amount of noninterest bearing reserves the banks must hold, and this has the effect of adding a further 2 or 3 per cent to their effective money cost. So the banks say even at the current record

levels they are not making any

Bank analysts now see rates peaking in a few weeks, pro-vided business demand slack-ens as the recession bites. But they say it could take longer because a downturn in economic activity will often increase the demand for loans for a month or two, given that businessmen borrow money to finance larger levels of stock, before they take a decision to cut back on

Reserves \$204m higher in March

By David Blake

Britain's reserves went up by \$204m (£94m) as a result of official intervention in the foreign exchange markets in March. But the value of our reserves has been increased by more than \$3,000m to \$26,963m (£12,540m) because of an annual revaluation of the sold component in the Bank of England's stock of foreign assets.

News of the latest increase in the reserves came on a day when the pound continued to show its recent strength in the show its recent strength in the fell in spite of heavy interventoreign exchange markets. It rose one and a quarter cents against the dollar to close at keen to keep out of foreign

Manufacturing output will

fall by 4.5 per cent this year,

according to the Treasury's own forecasts and unemploy-

next year. They indicated that the Chancellor did not want

this revealed and Mr Edward du Cann, the chairman, said that the committee would ask

the Chancellor to make the information public when he gave evidence. This is scheduled for April 14, but may be

The committee was asking the Treasury officials about the budget documents published last week, including the Govern-ment's medium-term financial

Mr Michael Heseltine, Secre-tary of State for the Environ-ment has decided to scrap the

ment has decided to scrap the construction sector's main couultative body—the National Consultative Council for the Building and Civil Engineering Industries (NCC). This will mean an annual saving of between £60,000 and £80,000.

Instead be will treat the in-formal all-industry Group of Eight as his main channel of

contact on matters of importance to the construction

Mr Heseltine scraps

construction body

months.

postponed.

\$2.1550. Its effective exchange rate rose to 72.7 per cent of its December 1971 level, up 0.4 percentage points on the day. There was no sign of Bank of England intervention in the currency markets during the course of the day.

It was generally a good day for European currencies, with the Deutsche mark, Swiss and French francs making tround against the dollar. The increase in prime rates in the United States to 20 per cent came too late to have any real effect on European markets, but the yenfully penits of heavy intervent.

posible in recent months, which explains the negligible increase in the level of the reserves through intervention in March, up to \$24,139m before changing the valuation of gold. Borrow-ings under the exchange cover repayments totalled \$208m.

The latest revaluation heralds a more cautious policy by the Government to the value of gold and some other foreign currencies in the reserves. Under the old formula gold was revalued to bring its notional worth in the reserves into line with 75 per cent of its average price of the previous three months.

Gas Bill may curb industrial users

Anxiety about recent unpre-cedented demand for gas has caused Mr David Howell, Secre-tary of State for Energy, to issue legislation aimed at restricting the concessions at

restricting the concessions at present given to larger customers.

The Gas Bill details of which were released late last night, would relieve the British Gas Corporation of its obligation to supply consumers taking more than 25,000 therms a year on a long term basis.

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a long term basis.

In future these large customers would have to rely on negotiable contracts for their supply. The Bill would also enable the British Gas Corporation to change the basis of charging from a tariff basis to one based on contract. This

of charging from a tariff basis to one based on contract. This would give the corporation more control overthe amount and rate of off-take.

Mr Howell said that the increase in demand for gas in the last year "far exceeds BGC's planned rate of expansion and they do not have the distribution and storage facilities to meet peak demand".

One of the aims of the Bill is to place new and expanding is to place new and expanding industries on an equal footing with other types of customer. The pressures on demand for gas have been so great recently that British Gas has had to ration the provision of new supplies almost entirely to those who have a statutory

right to be connected because they are within 25 yards of a gas main.

Considerable concern has been expressed recently that this rationing has placed busi-nesses being developed on new

sites at a disadvantage because they could not obtain supplies. Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Industry, said recently that he had received frequent and many" com-

Bank of England sets up approved list of financial institutions

menting the Banking Act, the Bank of England yesterday published a three-tier list of recog-nized banks, deposit taking in-stitutions and companies still awaiting a decision about their status. The list includes more than

on it and organizations such as the Post Office and building societies which are exempt can undertake a deposit taking business.

The first tier of fully fledged banks recognized by the Bank of England includes all the main British and foreign banks. The second tier consists of institutions which are not banks but can take on deposits. The 350 companies which have applied but are awaiting a decision wake up the table and the state of th

sion make up the third tier.
Last week there was a late
rush of 100 applicants before
the Monday deadline. The
Banking Act passed last October stipulates that those wishing to take on deposits have to comply with several regula-tions; companies were given

six months to apply. After an application is made the Bank of England has six months to decide so some companies may have to wait until the autumn. The list of those still awaiting

a decision includes some of the main finance houses such as UDT and Mercantile Credit. It also includes several foreign banks and some companies which had carried on banking business under the old Department of Trade regulations, the so-called section 123 banks.

Under the new rules institu-tions have to provide details of their business, controlling shareholders and directors and managers. The Bank of England will supervise operations and for the first time there is a deposit protection scheme of up to £7,500.

The basis for recognition as a fully fledged bank in the first tier is high repuation and standing in the banking community and the performance of many banking services, including deposits and lending, in most cases some ability in foreign exchange, financial advice and

foreign finance is sought. De-posit taking institutions, which cannot call themselves banks, do not need to offer such a range. A company may start as a deposit taker and gradually move to full banking status. It is now far more difficult to enter the deposit taking business. New applicants will have to put up at least £250,000 capital and to apply for banking status a capital of at least £5m

The Act was passed after the experience of the fringe banks' collapse and because of the need to harmonize EEC regulations on banking. It is the first time that the Bank of England has been given statutory supervisory powers. Previous legislation referred mainly to control of the economy; control of the banking system

was informal. Foreign banks operating in London will be controlled either by the Bank of England by a supervisory authority in their own countries.

List of banks, page 26

450,000 textile jobs 'at risk' in Britain

By John Huxley Textile and clothing indus-

Textile and clothing industries in Europe will suffer serious and lasting damage unless Community markets are protected against further penetration from imports, ministers have been told.

Some 450,000 jobs in Britain slone could be at risk unless

alone could be at risk unless the framework for world trade in textiles is altered in the 1980s, according to a submission by the British Textile Confederation which represents employers and unions. Its publication has been timed to coincide with the start of

informal discussions on trading regime to replace the Gatt Multi Fibre Arrangement, the present international agree-ment which is due to expire at the end of next year. Most of the bilateral trade agreements between the Community and its low-cost suppliers, for which the Multi Fibre Arrangement pro-vides the basis, expire one year

The MFA has already been renewed once, for five years in 1977. It attempts to balance the aspirations of developing countries to gain access to world markets with the desire

of developed countries to protect domestic industry.

Among the changes sought by
the BTC is a 10-year MFA. The longer period, it argues, will allow industry to plan with greater confidence. It also wants imports of main products from low-wage and state-trading countries to be brought within ceilings, set at an acceptable level for European industry.

So far, no attempt has been

made to specify the levels. But Mr Leonard Regan, president of the BTC, explained that without any sustained growth in domestic demand between now and 1981-82, levels will have to be set below those applying to 1982 under the present arrange-British textile and clothing

leaders, whose views have also been made known through the British Clothing Industry's Council for Europe, want to avoid new agreements which permit further automatic growth of low-cost imports when domestic demand fails to

A growth recession clause relating growth of imports to demand is seen as essential. When set, ceilings and the



Mr Leonard Regan, president of the British Textile Confederation: import ceilings will have to be lower

country-by-country quotas which they embrace should be rigidly observed and an automatic cutoff provision applied when limits are reached. Saving the British industry.

strategy and the White Paper on public spending. The Members of Parliament had been well briefed by their three specialist advisers and all produced papers which were fairly critical of the budget documents. They suggested that growth may be lower in the medium term than assumed by ment will rise "quite considerably" over the next 18 Despite the economic resource assumed by the Government, the Treasury officials suggested ment is assuming British competitiveness will improve in petitiveness will improve in Treasury officials disclosed this while being questioned yesterday by the new House of Commons select committee for medium term than assumed by the Government in its financial petitiveness will improve in the later years of the period Company strategy, that unemployment will rise to between 2.2 million and 2.5 million and that public continue to decline throughout the Treasury and Civil Service. this Parliament. However, they refused to give the Treasury's precise forecast of the level of unemployment

spending will not fall as out-lined in the White Paper. North Sea oil is expected to provide about half of the The Treasury representatives average 1 per cent a year stressed that the assumption of growth assumed. 1 per cent a year growth in output for the three years after The officials agreed that if

the Government's growth as-sumption proved too high there would be little or no room for 1980, was not a forecast.
The Treasury economic model has been constrained to show tax cuts in the next four years. output growth of this level for the later years. Although the The Treasury has four reasons for hoping that the Government has said that the economy will turn round after the recession this year and 1 per cent assumption is cautious, many economists dis-

agree.
The rough profile underlying the medium term financial strategy is that output will fall

the Budget and the Expenditure White Paper.

Mr Bryan Jefferson, president of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and a member of the

group, said last night he wel-comed the new role. He dis-missed suggestions that Mr Heseltine had acted in a high

Nevertheless the move will

Nevertheless the move will surprise many industry observers. The Group of Eight has had difficulty in recent months maintaining a united front in the face of continual criticism from the industry that it was unable to prevent further cuts in workload. Ironically one of its two union members, Mr George Henderson, of the Transport and General Workers' Union, pulled out of yesterday's meeting after expressing doubt that further talks with Mr Heseltine would benefit the industry.

handed manner.

Treasury forecasts 'considerable' increase

in unemployment over next 18 months

covered by the strategy.
MCRE FOLLOWS --However this will depend on

a sharp reduction in Britain's inflation rate, or a fall in the pound or a combination of both. Finally the Government is predicting a slight fall in savings which will boost consumption.

The Treasury officials defended the spending White Paper figures for nationalized industry finances. They said that these had improved as next.

The first is that the stock as the White Paper assumes cycle, which is now having a big deflationary impact on the years.

The eleventh-hour move by the NEB came on the day Hambros offer, already ex-

tended once, was due to expire. It has now been extended while negotiations continue.

after Hambros offer, is due out in a matter of days. It should

contain the profit and cash flow forecast for the current

A spokesman for the NEB's

advisers, Morgan Grenfell, said

last night: " All the information

which Hambros said it required

has virtually been fulfilled. The profits have been published, the report and accounts are out and

the profits and cash flow fore-cast are capable of being ful-filled, and being made public to Hambros, or anyone else who might be interested."

The report from accountants Peat Marwick Mitchell, commissioned by the NEB three days

profits hit by strikes

Three engineering companies reported profits for 1979 yes-terday, and all of them said that their figures had been affected by strikes.

The engineering strike, according to GKN, knocked some £15m off profits, which at the trading level nevertheless increased from £157.7m to £181.9m. The group, whose turnover increased from £1,755m to £1,961m, reported that the signs of recession were starting to emerge in the second half of the year, and that first quarter profits in the present year will be severely affected by the steel strike.

BICC, the cable and engin-eering group which includes Balfour Beatty, the civil engin-eers, increased pretay profits from £56.6m to £65.6m. After two difficult years BICC Cables the key company, raised pre-tax profits by 39 per cent to £10m.

Group turnover was £1,190m against £1,121m, although over-seas sales fell. Higher interest charges, a strong pound and last year's strikes an reduced

Bridon, the wire and rope manufacturer, saw profits fall from £17.1m before tax to £3.59m on sales of £296m compared with £289m. The downturn was due to £11.8m of trading losses from Ashlow, whose manufacturing side has been The rest of the group showed

an underlying rise in pre-tax profits of 12 per cent to 15.4m. Financial Editor, page 23

Engineering proposals backed by NEDC By Patricia Tisdall key issues including the estab-

Management Correspondent The National Economic De-

elopment Council supported the principle of the Engineering Authority, proposed by the
Finniston inquiry into the
status of engineers, at its
monthly meeting yesterday
even though its component
groups had yet to finalise their
principles on details opinions on details.

The concensus Council, on which the Government, unions and employers are represented, was that a central engineering authority could help to focus attention on the undoubted problem of recognizing the potential of engineers.

Sir Denis Rooke, chairman of the British Gas Corporation and one of the two nationalindustry representatives, said that the attitude which industry takes to engineers is crucial. Mr Richard O'Brien, chairman of the Manpower Services Commission, was also concerned about the low status of engineers and thought the attitude of directors to engineers could be improved. said that the attitude which

The Confederation of British Industry is due to discuss the Finniston recommendations at its council meeting later this month, but its working party supports the principle of a new authority although it believes such an organization should work through existing professional institutions. Sir Keith Joseph, the Secre-

tary of State for Industry, said in a memorandum to the NEDC that his department had con-sulted over 350 industrialists

listment of a new engineering authority. The Government intends to indicate its response in the summer, after taking full account of the results of Council discussions as well as the consultations.

Mr Len Murray, the TUC General Secretary, in a formal response to the Government,

has welcomed the report and asked for speed in implementing the recommendations.

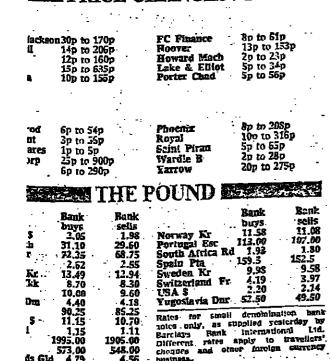
The TUC General Council attach importance to the estab-

lishment of the proposed authority. Its view is that without a statutory body with adequate trade union representation, the majority of the recommenda-tions will stand little hope of being translated into reality. Its only reservation on this point is an observation that the

relationship between the pro-posed authority and the Engin-eering Industry Training Board should be clarified so that the work of the EITB is not under-Darek Earris writes: The four senior institutions in the engineering profession - chemical, electrical, civil and mechanical, made a joint move yesterday for the governing council of the new engineering authority backed by the Finnision report to be domi-

nated by engineers nominated by carriered institutions. Of 15 members of the outh-ority's governing council eight should be appointed from lists submitted by chartered institu-tions but "reflecting" the main disciplines represented by the four institutions, according to the joint submission. The eight should not be mandated directly

ance to the construction rhe face industry. The decision, given in a partiamentary answer, came as a surprise to the Group of Eight. Members were told when seven of them met Mr Heseltine, Mr John Stauley, Minister for Housing, and Mr Nigel Lawson, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, for talks on construction spending in the aftermath of industry. PRICE CHANGES



Dunhill, with 37 per cent of shares, out to buy a new House

Hambros and NEB

discuss Fairey bid

Potential bidders for the National Enterprise Board-

owned Fairey Holdings are

likely to show their hands soon

after an NEB statement last

night that it has started talks

with Hambros on the merchant

banker's £19.5m bid for the

In its first public reply since the offer was launched six

weeks ago, the NEB said talks had started with Hambros, "subject to no higher offer be-ing made". That is being taken

as a clear indication that Fairey is now on the open mar-

The NEB statement says

that ifk Hambros is successful it will be placing substantially all the shares of Fairey with

institutional investors, but re-serving 5 per cent for the group's employees.

engineering company.

Could this be the fall of the House of Asprey?

forgot nothing. York fell in battle. The Ushers went mad. Nothing so major is befalling the ancient gilded name and house of Asprey, the Bond Street jeweller and silversmith founded by William Asprey in in 1781, which is tottering be-cause it cannot stop quarrelling about whether to accept pieces of silver (or least sterling) on offer from the House of Dun-Dunhill, a name redolent of

luxury, is a business success. Alfred Dunhill knows how to

sell cigarettes, lighters, foun-tain pens, clothing and after-

shave, the world over at quality prices. But it has never scorned the financial backing of others.

Now Dunhill wants Asprey. From a springboard of a 37 per cent holding it is now bidding for the shares it does not own. Normally 37 per cent would be more than halfway home, but in this case it is not necessarily so.

The Aspreys split nearly down the middle between those who want to sell, and those who say strenously that they will never sell out. The diehard faction is led by Mr John Asprey aged 43 and his father Mr Enizabeth and his father was the strength of the sell of the Mr Eric Asprey, the chairman.
Mr John Asprey is believed to
be the largest individual shareholder, but at most the diehards control only 47 per cent. prices. But it has never scorned the financial backing of others.

It is 50.5 per cent owned by Rothmans, itself part of the spoken for by Asprey trusts, and the carly 1970s brothers.

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Dunhill's aim is to add to Mr Algernon Asprey and Mr Rothmans, itself part of the spoken for by Asprey trusts, Eric Asprey, were told to re-

Mandalay was burnt. The worldwide empire of Mr Anton whose trustees who are charged Bourbons learnt nothing and Rupert, a South African. whose trustees who are charged to consider whether a formal format working Vork fell in Now Dunhill wants Asprey. interests of their wards.

Here Dunhill seems a trifle mean. Eucopraged by some Asprey shareholders who accep-ted £28.50 a share last June, Dunhill offers the same again now, either as cash or in loan stocks. But at this price Asprey is valued at only £11.4m or less than 5.96 times the earnings it made in the year to

Dunhill and Atajir Establishment, its joint partner in the bid and controlling shareholder in Altajir Bank of Dubai, would nor have got this far but for a family fued.

sign as managing directors. After their Bond Street banish-ment, they sold out to Mr Gabriel Harrison's property com-pany, which in turn sold on to a Liechtenstein-based institu-

Later the board was again in disarray over the role played by Mr Naim Attallah, an Arab businessman. Then Mr Attallah and co-director Mr John Asprey launched a libel action against a son in law of Philip Asprey. The Liechtenstein stake even rually went to Grovewood Securities (now part of Eagle Star) which sold at £28.50 as

long ago as January, 1979. This gave Dunbill 7 per cent. A further 23 per cent came from the Philip Asprey family last June, again the same price.

Peter Wainwright

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Saudi deal with Japan on \$20,000m complex

A group of Japanese com-panies have signed an agree-ment with Saudi Arabia to con-duct a feasibility study into a \$20,000m (£9,300m) petrochemicomplex on the Persian Gulf. Construction could start

In return for Japanese assist ance in the project, Saudi Arabia is willing to provide "bonus crude oil" in accordance with criteria to be established by the Saudis later.

These are reported to include the amount of equity capital of the participating companies and the degree of their commit-

US cars target down

'American car makers bave set second quarter production schedules which are 21 per cent down on last year's levels. The target of 1.939 million cars is the lowest for 15 years.

\$450m Greek loan

The Central Bank of Greece is seeking a \$450m (£209m) loan over eight years. The loan will have nine lead managers including Lloyds Bank Internat-

EEC steel fines

The EEC Commission has fined French and German steel producers an overall 900,000 European units of account (E540,000) for quota and price fixing agreements contravening the steel and coal treaty's competition laws.

West German unemployment fell 116,500 to 875,900 in March.

German jobless down

The unemployment rate fell to 3.8 per cent from 4.3 per cent in February.

New VW plant

The transfer of an army plant in Michigan to Volkswagen of America for a car assembly plant has been approved by the

Oil import costs

EEC oil import costs have risen by an average 122 per cent since the end of 1978. Pre-tax prices to consumers for the main oil products rose by 79 per cent. Britain has the highest pre-tax prices in the Community for diesel and heating oil.

Computing services sector offers employment and wealth, survey shows Young industry with a bright future

of the brightest aspects of this country's economy and offers much potential both as a source of employment and as a wealth producers", according to a financial survey of the industry published by Jordans Surveys, of London. The industry is demonstrating consistent growth, at

present of about 20 per cent a year.
Computing services embraces computer software houses and consultancies, systems companies, computer bureaux, and recruitment and training organizations. Their billings for 1978 were more than £330m -a 25 per cent increase over the previous

But, the market review introducing the survey says, a more realistic and prag-matic approach by both financiers and entrepreneurs is needed if the potential of the industry is to be realized and its benefits enjoyed by society as a whole.

The review is written by Mr Joseph
Roth of the Business Industrial Manage-

ment consultancy, a former chairman of the control and automation division of the Institution of Electrical Engineers.

He says that the entrepreneur and the

financier must find a way of coming together. Without a rapid influx of capital, developments in other countries will overtake the United Kingdom and the opportunity of establishing a strong, competitive industry will have been lost.

tists play a big role in company manege-ment, but in Britain, the main role in corporate decision-making is that of the accountant. Because of his training he is ill-equipped to assess the meaning of technology and cannot recognize its poten-

tial hen assessing specific proposals. In other countries in Europe the financial institutions are more sympathetic to the present-day entrepreneurial technologist. Mr Roth says, and so are better able to finance the emergent company. They understand that technology requires capital for long-term investment and that the return will take time to emerge. Equally, the entrepreneur in Britain

cier, and has not been able to communi-Today, the pace of technological change is swift and there is a need greater than before for United Kingdom entrepreneurs and financial institutions to get together to exploit the world market in technology-

needs to change his stance. In the past

he has shown little patience for the finan-

based areas. Such is the pace of change in the computing services area that the relative positions, and the actual business figures, of the leading companies surveyed by Jordan provide a fair number of surprises for those not close to the industry itself.

in order of size of turnover, the top 10 companies in the industry are Dataskil (ICL's software arm); Compower (the National Coal Board's computer bureau subsidiary); BOC Datasolve; CMG Computer Management Group; CAP-CPP-Group; THI Group Services (the Trafalgar House management and administrative services company); Centre-File (whose parent company is National Westminster Bank); Scicon Consultancy International (owned by British Petroleum); Baric Computing Services (jointly owned by ICL and Barclays Bank); and Comshare.

The turnovers (for the latest available years, mainly 1978-79) of the top eight companies are all above £10m, with Dataskil leading with £16,632,000. Comshare, tenth on the list, had a turnover of £8.5m. The list of the "second 10", ranked by turnover, is also illuminating. Running from £7.3m to £3.9m, they are Hoskyns Group (owned by Martin Marietta, United States); Logica; University Computing (United States owned); Computer World Trade; RHM Management Services (Rank Hovis McDougael); SIA (French-owned); ADP Network Services (United States owned); Systems Programming Holdings; Software Sciences; and Générale de Service Informatique (UK) (French owned).

Kenneth Owen

State loses TV income after switch ın accounts Revenue due to the Govern-

ment from the profits of two television companies was not paid because the Independent Broadcasting Authority allowed changes in the method of cal-Culating depreciation, the Commons Public Accounts Committee disclosed yesterday. The companies were ATV and Sconish Television, Sir Brian Young, director-general of IBA told the committee.

In 1977/78, the authority

made £3.3m refunds of levy to the programme contractors. The authority obtained legal advice which confirmed that its action in these cases was not improper. However neither the authority nor the Treasury was able to tell the committee how much this change cost the Govern-

ment in terms of the levy.

The authority was required to determine the levy based on the profits of the companies, although the Home Office and Treasury were consulted on general principles. The committhe said "with concern" that the authority did not consult the Home Office and the Treasury "on this important change in contractors' accounting policies".

This had a substantial effect

on the levy payable to the Government. The committee Government. The committee added that the change "was not a considered decision of the authority itself." It was accepted that the

method of applying principles agreed between the IBA and the Government were "admittedly unusual arrangements for levying tax".

The committee welcomed an assurance from the Home Office that the Government proposed

AS AT DEC. 31, 1979

Deposits with and Loans to the Government

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Bank Premises and Equipment

Deposits for the Granting of Loans

Debentures Issued by Subsidiaries

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TOTAL DEPOSITS

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Taxes and minority shareholders

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SUB-TOTAL

Net operating profit



Sir Brian Young

to institute a code of practice to clarify the way in which the levy should be administered. Since substantial public revenue was involved, the committee was convinced that the Government should have the final right to lay down how the statutory requirements should be administered. It was recommended that proisions for this

should be incorporated in new

legislation now being prepared. The committee said that, for levy purposes, the IBA ex-cluded income from the sale of programmes overseas from a contractor's total income, but that it made no corresponding reduction in the total expenditure for an appropriate part of the initial production costs.

The committee approved the authority's agreement to review the accounting treatment to establish whether the rules on production costs should be re-

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE BANK AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

'Outstanding' output by British coal industry

Britain's 300,000 workers in coal mining were congratulated yesterday for "a year of out-standing achievement" that has resulted in the first year-onyear increase in coal output for

17 years. In the face of a disappointing tart to 1980, the Coal Industry National Consultative Council took the unusual step of issuing a message to coal workers thanking them for their effort and cooperation in the 12 months to March 29, which were described as an "impresyear of resurgence for coal

The council representing management and unions, said that provisional results for the 12 months showed that deep mined output rose by 3.8 million tonnes to 109 million tonnes, the first such increase since 1963.

The message of encouragement was signed by Sir Derek Ezra, chairman of the National Coal Board, Mr Joe Gormley, president of the National Union of Mincworkers, Mr Ken Moore, president of the National Association of Colliery Overmen, Deputies and Shorfirers, and Mr Norman Schofield, president of the British Association of Colliery Management.

The industry's results, they said, showed that the NCB spent more than £1,000m over the year on equipment and con-tracts, almost all of it in Britain. Exports of coal and mining equipment and other overseas mining services earned more than £200m for the coun-

During the year, the productivity of all mineworkers increased by 1.5 per cent and in the past three months by 4 per cent, bringing overall output for

each manshift up to 2.27 tonnes.
Record-breaking productivity
was achieved at the coal face
with a breakthrough of more
than nine tonnes a manshift
since last November.

mineworkers choosing early re-

of the worsening recession in the economy, the year that has just started is bound to be a tough one. However, deter mined efforts will be made to find new outlets for coal. Also coal stocks are being built up to ensure immediate supplies are available for customers

This temporary slackening of markets for all industries must not be allowed to effect the improving trends in coal output and productivity-both essential to safeguard satisfac tory results and the industry's

More aid for biological technology

By Kenneth Owen

The National Enterprise Board investment in biotechnology—

siastic about the prospects in this field yesterday on publication of the Government's report on biotechnology written by a joint working party of the Advisory Council for Applied Re-search and Development, the Advisory Board for the Research

venture capital and other sources of financial support for innovation in the United Kingdom, and on the absence of new biotechnology-based componies.

being set up in Britain with wholly private finance.

and bring about a partnership of private and public finance.

biotechnology company of the kind now taking shape else-

ing. The National

Enterprise Board said that the recommend-

"Our own preliminary studies show that Britain has a strong research capability in molecular genetics, and new opportunities to transfer tech-

at commercial propositions for the exploitation of various techniques now being developed in laboratories and research It is understood that the

NEB and the NRDC have already begun to examine a number of specific proposals.

Design award

The range of seating for pub-lic places which was listed as a category of the awards scheme

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Housing is barrier to labour mobility

From Dr John R. Short Sir, A government that is concerned with creating the best

conditions for sustained econo-mic growth will surely want to pay closer attention to the problems of lebour mobility. It is universally recognized that such mobility is vital for eco-nomic growth; labour must be able to move easily to where there are jobs and industries which are expanding must be able to attract quickly and easily, a suitable labour force. A major problem is that the housing market in Britain operates against such mobility. The private rented sector

with its easy access and few rules of entry is dwindling in size and the bias in council house allocation against newcomers to an area has been recognized. Both of these trends are well known but the problem of mobility into and within the owner-occupied sector is little discussed, yet this tenure category houses more than 50 per cent of all British

Broadly speaking, there are two barriers to movement for existing and would-be owner-

financial cost. With estate agent's fees, solicitors fees and survey fees the moving cost can be substantial, often amounting to more than 15 per cent of the price of the house. Solicitors' fees are by far the largest element. Surely, a government concerned with breaking the monopoly of workers will want to achieve a reduction in such costs by breaking the solicitors' strangle hold over conveyancing.

Second, there are the emotional and delay costs. The English conveyancing system seems designed to maximise uncertainty, promote selfish behaviour and minimise speed efficiency and costs. May I suggest that the Scots system be a model for changing the English system. What is at stake may be the possibility for sustained economic growth. Yours faithfully,

JOHN R. SHORT Department of Geography, University of Reading, Whiteknights, Reading RG6 2AB. April 1

More facts on the Warwick coalfield

Sir, Dr E. C. B. Corlett (March 25) and Mr H, V. T. Bland (March 27) raised some significant points arising from your report on the NCB's explora-

tions in Warwickshire. Dr Corlett ascribes to inefficiency the estimate that akhough the coalfield appears at present to contain about 2,850 million tonnes only 350 million tonnes may be recoverable. He perhaps misun-derstands the basis upon which these figures are computed.

The gross figure includes all the coal identified by geologists. As with all coalfields, the Warwickshire measures contain some coal so broken by vertical faultings as to preclude mining and some irrecoverable because of geological splitting.
That is the nature of all coalfields and the proportions
extractable have always been far less than the total. Dr Corlett suggests

board should investigate alternative methods of extraction, including gasification in situ. I can assure Dr Corlett that active research into such matters has been going on in the coal industry for many years. Although underground gasi-

fication experiments around the world (including Britain) have all so far proved to be uneco-nomic and less than reliable in producing satisfactory gas flows, we are keeping the situation under review against economic necessity may compel the use of such technologies. In the meantime our scientists are also examining other possible in situ tech-niques such as liquefaction md microbiological degrada-

Mr Bland appears to equate coal mining with serious disturbance of commerce, industry, culture and leisure, and March 31.

From Mr Julian Gough

Sir, The massive profits recently reported by the com-

mercial banks have been greeted

by the Government by some dithering over a windfall tax.

The appropriate response should

have been a condemnation of

their unnecessarily high profit margins (high interest levels

do not necessarily have to be

margins).

associated with higher profit

The ending of the cartel on

bank interest rates more than

a decade ago was supposed to

bring in an era of competition,

greater efficiency, and a narrowing of operating margins.

cites the case promulgated by the opponents of the Vale of Belvoir mining proposals. Our case at the public inquiry has been to show precisely what disturbance would be limited to, and to demonstrate that mining can be carried on side by side with agriculture, in dustry and leisure.

Mr Bland claims there is no case for extracting coal "at any police" when cheap open-cast coal is available from Australia and the United States. Without entering into a Anstralia debate about what the phrase.
"at any price" may mean, it surely must be obvious that the cheap supplies of foreign coal will be available only while the world recession lasts.

When world trade is restored and global oil and gas reserves go into sharp declare, "cheap" supplies of coal will no longer be available when all industrialized nations may be clamouring for energy in every form. By then, the availability of any indigenous coal may be viewed differently if the alternative to mining them were to be an energy famine.

The Warwickshire coalfield exploration is not yer com-plete, but the board has authorised the setting up of a feasi-bility study which may be able to report in about 18 months' time on whether the field contains sufficient reserves of qualities of coal needed to proceed with a planning applicato a later date, according to the needs of the energy

Yours faithfully. KENNETH MOSES. Director of Planning and Major Projects, National Coal Board, Hobart House, Grosvenor Place, London SW1X 7AE.

What has happened to competi-tion? Has collusion re-emerged

Instead of being embarrassed by the size of their profits, the banks should immediately increase their rates to deposi-tors, or cut their charges to

borrowers, or both. They can obviously afford to do so.

in a hidden form?

Yours faithfully,

JULIAN GOUGH,

Cardiff CF1 3NU.

March 31.

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Technology, King Edward VII Avenue,

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D. A. SKITT, Translation Service. European Space Agenc 8-10 rue Mario-Nikis, 75738 Paris. March 26.

Trusting the man What the banks should do he knew

From Mr D. J. Morgan Sir, Apropos Professor letter today co "proper" money. I Benham used to tell th ing in his lectures at i Professor Foxwell used day regularly in a sr in the Austrian Alp: proper money was in: in place of sovereigns, keeper declined to ac preferring the pr cheque as he knew the sor but did not know the of England. Yours faithfully, D. J. MORGAN, Oak House. Dennis Lane, Stanmore, Middlesex HA7 4JS.

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Profit before Tax	8,817	5,455
Profit after Tax	5,804	3,678
Earnings per Share	17.82p	12.26p
Dividend per Share	6.00p	2.25p

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★ Sales in the first three months of 1980 have been higher than in the corresponding period last year, and in the light of the Group's recent expansion and new developments, 1980 should be another year of continued growth for the

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Fatal accidents in the mines fell from 72 in 1978-79 to a record low of 30 for the year. Serious reportable accidents also declined. Recruitment improved by 6,000 and manpower wastage fell by only 1,700 despite 7,700

The council added: "Because

when business improves.

Technology Editor

nd the National Research Development Corporation plan to increase their interest and the application of biological orgonisms, systems or processes manufacturing and service industries. Both organizations were enthu-

Councils and the Royal Society. The working party's report comments on the shortage of

about their profits There seems little prospect now, they say, of such companies

The NEB, with the NRDC, should make a contribution

The joint working party recommends "that the NEB, in
conjunction with NRDC, should
investigate the possibility of
establishing in the United Kingdom, and with some public
funds, a research-oriented
histerbuology company of the

where.
"A sum of 12m annually for five years should be sufficient determine its value and establish the scale of further investment, whether from the private or public sector."

The NRDC confirmed that it would be putting more money into biotechnology projects. It already had a stake in most areas of the technology, and a number of further projects would soon be ready for back-

ations of the report would be examined " with an appropriate urgency". The board would be considering practical ways in which to contribute alongside private sector partners.

nology to industry will need to be grasped", the board said.
"The NEB will look closely

Design Council Award winner in our report yesterday is made by Amstad Systems, London, and was designed by Goodwin Wheeler Associates. The Wheeler Associates. The awards listed comprise the consumer and contract goods

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

US investment challenge for GKN

If profits from GKN's United Kingerations are going to be "severely i" by the steel strike; but of itself not as significant as the fact that ession is now starting to bite andof the steel strike-no-one knows

in the signs were emerging in the half of last year, they are not it in the 1979 profits of the group, t £101.4 pre-tax are £24.1m up on the r the preceding year, and considerter than anyone was expecting.

figure is struck after allowing for in additional depreciation, to cover r of plant replacement at current but there will be no full analysis SAP 16 until the accounts come out. eless, an indication that the pre-tax inder current cost accounting would ie region of £68m must throw some on the wisdom of a policy of raising idend—though a 10 per cent rise to (comfortably covered by historic if the exceptional items he excluded) to insignificance in comparison with i expenditure programme now runsome £100m a year, and an £80m last year in stocks alone.

troup reckons that its borrowingsincurred in connexion with the in investments, which are due to stream in 1981-82—will peak this out the inference is that interest could top last year's £35.9m; and reason to suppose that trading condiil permit the first quarter setback ade up later in the year, the profits is at best flat.

ares, up 80 yesterday to 267p, yield ent: but there are more promising ves for the immediate future.

strike metic

1979 profits were expected to be nd they are-down from £17.1m to selore tax, although under CCA the st £8.5m. But a two-fifths reduction inal dividend is disappointing and es ended unchanged at 71p, where is 10.1 per cent.

Ashlow, which lost £11.8m before and £6.23m in extraordinary closure I with about £25m to come from the sale which will cut back the £50m lebt about two-thirds of share-funds), Bridon has undoubted potential.

ne caveat is the steel strike. This t Bridon badly in the United Kingmust pose the question : how much has the British Steel dispute caused e engineering and steel companies seriously weakened by the engineer-

rany companies the steel strike has ted stock reductions, so improving Many have been able to source road and the impact on most comofits should be small compared with neering strike.

n has suffered because its Templerod mill-half-owned and supplied sh Steel-has been closed for most lispute, thus leaving the wire operawhere fixed costs are high, des-short of rod. Losses have mounted. should be able to cope with this ably, though that is not a case for the shares at this stage.

ding for e efficiency

£9m increase in pretax profits to is tempered by warnings that the y faces a difficult year or two and turns from the key domestic cable

division are still too low. Inflation and a steadily tightening market in BICC's base products mean that reducing costs and finding new products are vital.

Sales rose 6.1 per cent to £1,190m, and margins from 5.8 per cent to 6.5 per cent. Here, the return on capital is 23 per cent, though on a current cost basis it would be only 4.4 per cent, fractionally less than in 1978 on this basis.

Despite good prospects overseas, particularly in Canada and Australia where order books are fairly healthy, export and over-seas sales by value fell last year, but operating profits at BICC International were



Sir Raymond Pennock, chairman of BICC.

a 22.5 per cent increase to £38.7m. The outlook overseas is for something better this year, in spite of the strength of sterling.

Strikes were a less important factor than might have been expected, causing £3-4m in lost profits, and the impact of the steel strike has probably been small.

But interest rates pushed up finance charges by £2.8m to £11.2m, although borrowings remained static; gearing has slipped a little to about 46 per cent.

The dividend has been increased by 10 per cent to 12.2p gross, covered 2.5 times by historic cost earnings. Here, the shares at 116p yield 10½ per cent and sell on a p/e ratio of 5.4. BICC looks a good deal more capable of weathering the problems ahead than some in the sector, and the shares should be retained.

Banks

The list

Not too much should be read into yesterday's list of three-tier deposit taking institutions. Most of the top names are among the list of fully recognized banks but there are several hundred applications, including some well known banks, still being considered because so much has depended on] the timing of applications.

The list of those still being considered includes the main finance houses. Some of them are understandably worried if they end up in the second tier of deposit-taking institutions but this need not be a rebuff the Bank of England may be more concerned about their actual function rather than any possible prestige to the full recognition as bank. Several institutions registered under Section 123 under the old Department of Trade regulations are also awaiting a

The Banking Act was prompted by the fringe banking crisis and the need to harmonize EEC regulations. Under the more strident Bank of England's supervision another secondary banking crisis now looks unlikely but it is worth noting that depositors are now guaranteed up to £7.500 and this might be rigorously enforced in cases of individual failures.

Foreign banks fall fully within the net of the regulations. The banking supervising authorities in respective countries are now asked whether they will control their London subsidiaries or whether this should be done by the Bank of England. This is another correction to some of the problems that arose after the 1973/4 crisis.

Economic notebook

Gaps in the strategy

real wage costs. Since we know

that the Treasury has assumed

indeed real wages are falling.

assumed by the Treasury, It re-

quires wage earners to reduce their savings ratio because they

feel more confident at a time when their real earnings are

falling. It also requires a very sharp drop indeed in the in-

flation rate to restore our com-petitiveness in world and domestic markets, much sharper, in all probability, than

that implied by the traditional historic relationships.

just as big a risk as gambling

assuming is that it will zet the inflation rate down because

modern economic theory it is

usual to put the word "rational" in front of expec-tations: That cannot be done in

the model of behaviour which

is evidently being used. The only explanation of the sharp

drop in inflation implied in the

latest government statements is

that Treasury economists have

been instructed to impose it on

The issue is important in

itself, but it also has vital implications for the financial plan. For as the Treasury

admits, assumptions about

growth have a great impact on forecasts about revenue. If the

assumptions are wrong, so are

That is one area where the

Government's plan for the future looks decidedly shaky.

The other is the path of public spending. We are assured that

the lack of any information about just where £2,000m of cuts will be made in housing is

not a contravention of open

government. The information

because the decisions have not

been taken. This claim carries

bility in the dramatic trans-

formation of the financial posi-

tions of nationalized industries.

These are expected to have

huge investment increases and

great improvements in retained

profits over the next four

It is a wonderful thing if you

can do it, but there is some-thing odd about the suggestion

that nationalized industries,

which are thought to be inefficient, can do this at a time

when private industries (which are thought to be efficient) are

in increasing deficit. The Gov-ernment is likely to find a need for its saving paragraph from the White Paper in which it

gives warning that the nationalized industry figures

are particularly uncertain.
The truth is that wherever really large cuts occur the White Paper is uncertain. The decision

to cut public spending has been made; the cuts have not. Working out where they fall

will involve the Government in

a great deal of soul-searching

David Blake

their forecasts.

the forecasts.

conviction.

Nor is th

Gambling

How much do we really know suggesting no tax cuts in 1981 about our medium-term prospects as a result of last week's But improving trading perpects as a result of last week's Budget? The answer has to be a great deal less than we could have done,
This is because of two signi-

ficant omissions from the inforhas presented to us. Taken together these omissions leave a significant question mark over whether we have a credible route to the Govern-

ment's goal.

The first omission is that of any serious discussion about medium-term prospects for out-put and inflation. This is dressed up as a virtuc. We are asked to believe that it shows that the administration will not fall into the trap of its predecesfall into the trap of its predecessors by basing plans on growth
that are too optimistic. Instead
of a growth forecast the plan
is based on the "deliberately
cautious assumption of an average growth rate of 1 per cent
for the years after 1980".

How can anyone claim that
an assumption is deliberately
cautious if they have not made
some judgment of what is likely
to occur: against which to com-

to occur, against which to com-pare it? Growth of only 1 per cent a year does not sound much, but it is actually not as pessimistic an assumption as it

There are many obvious descriptions of these assumptions. "Deliberately cautious" is not one of them. The Govern-The Treasury's forecast for the first-half of 1981 shows a further slight drop in output from the depressed levels of ment is gambling on its success in reducing inflation. That is this year. Just to end up with zero growth in 1981, let alone a on a government's ability to boost output. positive growth performance, there will have to be a very

substantial turnaround.
So the 1 per cent growth is
in fact 1.5 to 2 per cent growth
in 1982 and 1983 once allowpeople believe that it will get the inflation rate down. It is a policy which depends greatly on expectations, but in the more fashionable versions of ance is made for the bad per-formance next year. Now that, by past British performance, is not a cautious or a pessimistic assumption at all. It is rather better than our performance in 1978 and 1979, for example. Now how can an assumption of this kind be justified?

One possible explanation of the Government's position is that assumptions do not need to be justified in the way that forecasts do and that that is what makes them preferable. But even this view does not deal with the matter, as Treas-ury witnesses at the House of Commons Select Committee on the Treasury discovered yester-

For in order to make every-thing else in the medium-term plan hang together, it is necessary to reconcile the growth assumption with the financial plan's promises.

It is difficult to do that. In order to do so there has to be an explanation of just where the necessary growth comes from. Some of it may come from stock building, as industry recovers from the extreme rigours of the coming recession.

Recovery

But a large part of any recovery in output, particularly a sustained recovery in output, has to come from final demand. What sources are there for this? It certainly cannot come from investment, which always lags behind other demand and is bound to be depressed.

Nor, as far as we can tell, will it come from public spending. The qualification is impor-tant because what matters to the real economy is the scale of consumption of goods and services and the Government's public spending White Paper is remarkably silent on that issue after 1981, if only because the Government assures us that it does not know what will

Let us assume, however, that the present Government's commitment to cut the total level of public spending means that its consumption of goods and services stays static throughout the years to 1983-84.

That narrows down the options to private consumption and an improvement in our net trading position. But here a problem appears. Increasing private consumption usually requires rising living standards, which in the context of a plan

Scarcely a day goes by without a union leader or employer somewhere beseeching the Government to come to the rescue of the beleaguered textile and formance requires greater com-petitiveness by British industry, which would suggest falling clothing industries.

Department of Trade ministers, at whom much of the

pleading has been directed, have said privately that the monotony and frequency of the bleating is becoming tiresome, even counter productive. Yet at the risk of being

small growth in productivity as part of a package of assumptions aimed at proving that the relative price of public sector services will fall, that means falling real wages. accused of alarmism, industry leaders are preparing to raise their voices still further. They will do so out of a conviction So the only way in which the circle can be squared is for private consumption to rise at that decisions taken over the coming months will effectively determine whether a sizable textile and clothing sector survives in the 1980s. time when wage costs and This is the only basis on which it is possible to get up output performance of the kind

Discussions between Western European countries and their trading partners will dictate the shape of international trade in textiles after 1981, when the present General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) Multi-Fibre Arrangement (MFA) expires. The present arrangement,

which has been running from 1977, is the second one. It is the basis for a complex structure of import quotas covering items ranging from Philippines brassieres to Czechoslovakian travelling rugs.

Along with the accompanying bilateral deals, the MFA is designed to allow an orderly growth of imports from devel-oping to developed countries. balancing the needs of poor and

In its document World Trade in Textiles after 1981, submitted to government ministers this week, the British Textile Confederation (BTC) makes a persuasive case for more effective on imports into the European Community.

Unless big changes are made in the present framework some 450,000 jobs in the British tex-tile industry are at risk, the confederation says. Among its demands are an MFA which runs for 10 years, and which relates import growth to expansion in demand in domestic markets.

Some 31,000 workers have already been made redundant in the last six months of 1979, and several thousands are now on short-time working. The TUC is talking in terms of a further 80,000 jobs being lost over the nest six months. This tragic decline, which has

occurred largely unremarked and piecemeal by comparison with redundancies in say, the steel or motor industry, cannot the EEC Commission the right nity; be blamed entirely on low-cost to impose quotas aimed at sion.

industry from oblivion The Multi-Fibre Arrangement governing international

trade in textiles and clothing is about to be renegotiated. John Huxley reports

Saving Britain's textile

imports. The trading position, both home and overseas, of most companies has been adversely affected by the relative strength f sterling

Moreover, textile companies, which by tradition tend to be highly goared, have been hit hard by soaring interest rates. On top of that came VAT in-creases and a slump in retail trading.
All of these problems were

All of these problems were cited by Carrington-Viyella, whose chairman, Mr Leonard Regan, is president of the British Textile Confederation, to explain a 56m fall in profits to 58.5m last year. Employment in the group fell by 2,000 and investment was cut by a half to 58m.

However, Mr Regan said that the industry could "sweat out" its present difficulties successfully, if it was confident that it would still have a market in a couple of ways? couple of years' time.
Import penetration of

British market now amounts to 54 per cent by volume (about a third by value), of which about a half comes from developing or state-trading (mainly communist) countries.
At present rates of growth

assuming flat domestic demand, low-cost exporters could capture 40 per cent by 1985. Given that exporters from the developed countries hold their share, home producers would be left with less than 40 per cent of the domestic market. The confederation claims that

the clothing and textile industries spent more than £2,000m in the 1970s on improving efficiency. It accepts that in both industries there are com-panies which must improve further if they are to compete in world markets but adds that manufacturers are not prepared to invest in the absence of a clear government commitment that a new, more effective MFA will be negotiated. The Government has, after

curbing American man-made fibre imports. It has made clear that it will not bend to pressure strong at present to renegotiate

strong at present to renegotiate existing quotas.

Most disconcerting for the industry, the Government has been reluctant to give any precise commitment on a new MFA. Until recently, its ministers have preferred to speak in guarded terms of they need for "orderly marketing arrangements". However, industry hopes were raised last. arrangements". However, industry hopes were raised lastweek by news that Mrs Thetcher, in a letter to an MP, had accepted the need for Britain to "press for a continuation of effective restraints."

Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Trade, is regarded as having only limited sympathy for the industry's present proof-lems. He does not like important and is auxinus that in-

controls and is anxious that in efficent industry should not be sheltered behind creeping pro-tectionism. He has stressed the need for Britain to keep markets open and free, and spoken of the risk of provoking retaliation. He is alos anxious to recognize the rights of consumers—domestic and industrial—who

buy imports.
The BTC document is being circulated to ministers at the. Employment and Industry de-partments, and the Northern Ireland and Scottish offices, in the belief that they may tem-per Mr Nott's philosophical attachment to free trade with some realistic appreciation of the threat to jobs and to

The BTC believe that there is now a greater degree of unani-mity among other European textile industries over the need to take a harder line on intports into the Community, which they feel has become a "soft touch" in recent years. One million jobs have been lost in Western Europe in textiles and clothing over the past decade.

A question mark still hangs over the amount of support to be expected from West Germany, however, which did not Britain's action against American fibre products. They have made more rapid progress in ensuring that their own domestic industry is efficient and competitive.

Moreover, in the coming months of discussions, as the debate on the MFA moves from the national to the Community arena, two of the key men will be West German free traders: Herr Wilhelm Haferkamp, the Commissioner for External Relations, and Herr Horst Krenzler, head of the Commumuch urging, extracted from Krenzler, head of the Commu-the EEC Commission the right nity's Textile Negotiating Divi-



PHOENIX ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

PRELIMINARY PROFIT STATEMENT

RESULTS The following are the preliminary results of the Phoenix group of companies for the year ended 31st December 1979, subject to audit, together with the audited results for the year 1978.

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Notes: 1 US dollar transactions are converted at the rate of \$2.22 for the year 1979 (1978 \$2.04). 2 The long-term premium income for 1978 included £34.1 million in respect of a period of 21 months for Property Growth Assurance Company Ltd and its subsidiary, now consolidated on an annual basis.

3 A provision for an allocation under the staff share scheme, approved at the 1979 annual general meeting, is included for 1979 on a gross basis under expenses not charged to

The strength of sterling in 1979, compared with the currencies of the countries in which the group transacts the major part of its overseas business had a significant impact on the above results After adjustment for currency fluctuations, general premium income grew by 12% (5% unadjusted) whilst investment income advanced strongly by 24% (15% unadjusted).

The geographical distribution of the general business is as follows:

	Premiums written		Underwriting balance	
	1979	1978	1979	1978
	£m	£m	£m	£m
United Kingdom and Ireland:				
Home fire and accident	722.6	107.0	 6.7	-3.2
Reinsurance subsidiaries	17.1	16.9	-1.1	0.8
Marine - UK companies	20,5	24.5	-0.4	-0.4
Aviation – UK companies	3.4	-3.7	0.4	
	163.6	1521	7.8	<u>0.1</u> -4.3
Europe	70.3	61.3	3,4	-3.5
United States	63.5	66.7	1.7	2.4
Canada	19.0	18.1	0.8	0.7
Elsewhere overseas	39.5	39.4	-0.4	2.0
	355.9	337.6	14.1	=2.7
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In the United Kingdom an exceptional incidence of large fire and consequential loss claims, coupled with heavy experience in the motor account due to weather conditions; the impact of VAT on repair costs and an increasing rate of inflation, contributed to an underwriting loss for the final quarter of £4.8 million. The United States operating ratio moved marginally from 101.1 at the end of September 1979 to

101.6 for the full year (94.8 for the year 1978). In Europe the previously profitable account in Denmark suffered a reverse in 1979 due to weather losses at the beginning of the year and a deterioration in motor results, but all other territories showed an improving trend. Trading conditions remained difficult in Canada and Australia, but business in most other overseas countries was profitable

The strong growth in new business production in recent years is now reflected in increased profits from the long term account. The impetus for growth was well maintained with new sums assured exceeding £2,000 million for the first time in 1979 (£1,700 million in 1978).

DIVIDEND

Taking into account the strong growth in investment income, the increased transfer from the long term account and the special factors affecting the company's business in 1979, the directors recommend a final dividend of 7.5p (1978 6.445p) per share to be paid to members on the register at the close of business on 30th May 1980. With the interim dividend of 5.8p already paid this represents a 15% increase over the dividends declared for 1978. The date of payment of the final dividend will be 1st July 1980 and the cost £4.5 million (1978

£3.9 million).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual general meeting will be held on Wednesday, 28th May 1980 at 12 noon. The Report to shareholders for the year 1979 will be issued on 2nd May.

Business Diary: Abta's Elms • Farewell to Pipkin

ssociation of British Agents (Abta) agonized yesterday over whether d pick one of them—a erator—to become its it for the next three

the end it plumped Tims, joint managing of the Tottenham Agency and indubitably agent And quite right, siness Diary predicted this year that he would were those on Abta's were those on Abta's

council rooting for a erator to take the chair by Margaret Hook, who not in both agents' and rs' camps, but Elms is and popular Abta hand. been on the national for four years and in of the Retail Agents'

Fertilack now becomes in of the agents' council e new chairman of the Operators' Council is Perez, of Intasun, who en well in the running presidency. nigh Elms believes that

≥ done much to improve age of the travel trade I thinks that there is of work to do to ensure is a good service from 8 High Street agents and operators.

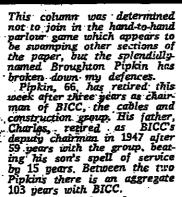
soneme started during all council stint was the s scheme to improve the of some 24,000 staff in 00 retail agents throughcountry. In 12 months 1,000 staff have gone the training proects will begin to show it 18 months time.



Despite appearances, Sherry Beadle is not an extra from Dallas but a former Miss Lubbock, Texas, leading a new import drive to these shores.

Miss Beadle and a host of other Westerners are instilling a touch of Texas into the unlikely surroundings of the Cunard Hotel, Hammersmith.

Their trade mission hopes to persuade the British that cowboy paraphernalia should become an essential part of our way of life. Miss Beadle's particular contribution consists of atmospheric paintings of horses. With the success of Dallas, who



But back to the parlour gar which for newcomers, basically consists of working out me's own connexions with past figures through relatives and acquaintances. One of Charles Pipkin's close friends was Doctor Sebastian De Ferranti, founder of today's firm of Ferranti and a leading pioneer in the field of electrical engineering who died in 1930.

De Ferranti's grandfather was a guitarist in the court of King Leopald I of Belgium 1:ho was very nearly Prince Consort

 Holiday Inns, arguably the world's most voracious hotel group, has set its sights on a scheme that many would think impossible—to build a new hotel in central London.

The group's French-born president Eric Bernard admits that it does not have an easy task on its hands but he displays a Gallic confidence that the group will overcome the dire shortage of suitable property sites.

Bernard, a one-time Grand



of Great Britain (his wife Prin-cess Charlotte died, leaving Victoria next in succession) and on vodka-swilling terms with at least two Romanov Czars. My emateur geneaology therefore provides Pipkin with instant reference to Peter the Great and the British Royal Family, should he wish to take up this little game.

BICC announced improved results yesterday which makes the red buttonhole which Pipkin favours each dag even more appropriate.

Metropolitan high-flyer and catering director of the Ulster Transport Ambority, now based in Memphis, has set the chain the task of building a further 80,000 rooms throughout the world during the next five years, more than in the whole of the Hilton chain.

It should come as some con-fort to British builders that a proportion of those are expected to come from Holiday Inns in Aberdeen, Portsmouth, Glasgow, Manchester, Cardiff, Croydon and York.

franchises must be submitted, it is becoming clear that there will be a number of competitors for the new breakfast slot. Even the Independent Broadcasting Authority is warming to the idea, although when it first mooted the channel last Novem-ber the authority made it plain that breakfast television was a possibility rather than a certainty. The enthusiasm with which

With little more than a month to go before applica-

tions for commercial television

The entiusiasm with which the idea is being greeted may have put paid to that attitude. Besides the original breakfast consortium involving Jonathan Dimbleby and Lord Lever, both Lord Grade's ACC, holding company of ATV, and Independent Television News intend to have their bids in by May 9 to have their bids in by May 9 when the deadline for applications closes.

The burning question facing all the would-be breakfast operators at present is who to approach to lead the visual assault over the cornflakes if they win?

It could be that you have to be daft to watch West Bromwich Albion play football each week. The club's management certainly seems to think so. It is now advertising a savings scheme whereby supporters can buy vouchers. These can later be used to defray the cost of season tickets. An advertise-ment in last week's match programme says: "The vouchers will have a value of £1 and £5 and afford you the opportunity to save without incurring any

interest whatsvever ": David Hewson Stock markets

Gilts firmer despite prime rate

influenced mostly

ted a lot of inquiry with several institutions remaining on the lookout for cheap bargains in order to reduce the latest cash mountain,

Yesterday was also the last day for "bed and breakfast" deals and brokers were instantly greeted with a flurry of activity when business began. The return to work by the

steel workers was discounted by most market men with the majority of attention focussed on trading statements and company news. Oils came in for a reported as low with prices flurry of activity after hours nouncement of a satisfactory stock. But it was the increase flow rate from its 16.3 block in prime rates that left falls of in the North Sea in which around £1,16 at the close, But the real interest re- Activity in equities almost Siebens has a sizeable stake, mained with gilts where busi-

Nevertheless, the news in after hours that the Chemical

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Sales

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Company

Turnover returned to a low Bank had raised its prime rate largely by the damper on recent active buying.

coming Easter holiday.

In longs the new "tap"
However, the general trend Treasury 14 per cent 1996,
was firm with gilts continuing which was exhausted on Tuestheir upward march despite day, closed unchanged at £504, another increase in United while rises elsewhere were re-States prime rates announced stricted to between £1 and £2. after hours. Equities too attraction shorts, turnover was again

> to signal the move for control of timber group Mallinson-Denny after weeks of speculation. A heavy buyer of the shares is reported to have relieved jobbers of all available stock on Tuesday with dealers in the options market reporting further active inquiries in call options. The shares remained firm at 63p yesterday.

by Marathon's an despite the general shortage of ground to a halt in after hours mained with gilts where bust-ness fluctuated throughout the in oils the FT Index closed 0.3 down at 432.1 after touching a high for the day of 1.3 at 3 pm.

Leading industrials were

Earnings

5.8(3.7) 13.0(9.1) 21.38(16.8)

19.3(14.2)

-1-)
5.75(17.3)
9.44(7.42)

17.19(12.24) 2.3†(22.03)

17.82(12.26) 20.74(14.9)

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Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. *=adjusted for scrip. †=loss. ‡=after tax. ||=after providing additional depreciation for inflation.

15.77(19.16) 6.1(10.1)

Latest results

Profits

63.6(56.6) 1.6(2.9) 1.4(1.1)

2.71(2.34)

8.8(5.4) 1.56(1.59) 1.8(1.5)

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level in the market yesterday, to 20 per cent finally put the mostly mixed. ICI closed unchanged at 374p. Fisons im-proved 2p to 269p and Racal rose 4p to 218p after favourable press comment. But Unilever fell gp to 403p and Pilkington encountered nervous selling and slid 5p to 208p. Selling was also reported in Beechams, 3p lower at 117p, with reports of split" selling (whereby an The Easter holidays are likely investor sells his stake through several brokers in one go) by

one of the institutions. Dealers suggested this might be as a result of nervousness ahead of Glaxo's figures, due

The announcement in the late afternoon from Marathon provided a flurry of speculation among oils. The institutions again proved eager buyers and coupled with the absence of selling again from the United States prices moved sharply higher.

Among the majors BP rose 4p to 362p, Ultramar 8p to 530p and Tricentrol 4p to 286p. Only Shell, 2p lower at 340p, resisted the trend.

Siebens, with a large stake in the Marathon 16/3 block find, leapt 104p to 657p although jobbers felt the shares

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4.6(3.96) Nil(Nil)

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unlikely to recoup the gains achieved before rs of a dry well saw tumble from 915p. h was another strong	I
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Willis Faber. The shares

Mr Harry Goodman's ambition

to bring his holiday tour com-pany. Intasun, to the market is

gettin geloser. Price Waterhouse

is husy working on an audit

o fthe figures ready for the

prospectus offering the shares

finished 15p down at 233p taking with them Alexander Howden, which fell 4p to 104p,

and CE Heath, down 5p to

208p. Figures from Sun Alli-ance, down 2p at 542p, and Phoenix, 8p off ar 208p, also

had a big bearing Commercial Union, which fell 4p to 130p.

Speculative interest

helped Caffyns to improve 12p to 160n. United Scientific 2p to

466. Moss Bros 4p to 252p and Furness Withy 6p to 373p. But profit taking wiped 23p from Guthrie at 900p and 5p from St Piran at 65p.

Engineering came in for a

mixed day after the return to

work by the steelworkers and

a mixed batch of companies reporting. Full-year figures from Yarrow knocked 20p from

the shares at 275p while GKN

put on 8p at 267p and BICC 3p to 116p. There were gains of 1p to 2p for Tube at 254p, Vickers at 114p and Metal Box

In properties the interim statement from Peachey pushed the shares 5p better at 132p while full-year figures left Berkely Hambro 5p higher at

Equity turnover on April 1 as £137.655m (28.859 bar-

Spencer and Turner &

at 254p.

Banks gave up earlier gains

to the public.

2p lower at 298p.

By Richard Allen Insurance Correspondent market, rising 14p to 205p. Insurance shares gave up some of their earlier gains as a result of the renewed strength in the dollar after the

Pretax profits are down by

market had been hoping that Willis might have bucked the

achieved in a thin market. Barclays fell 7p to 403p, Nat West 3p to 315p and Midland 2p to 316p. Lloyds was firmer, but closed along with the rest

ment income.

strength Mr Ronnie Taylor, the chair-

tinue indefinitely.

Referring to the proposed takeover of rival C. T. Bowring by Marsh & McLennan. Mr Taylor said yesterday that be thought it could lead to similar moves by other American groups but that Willis Faber was the "least vulnerable"

gains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Shell, GKN, Racal, BAT Industries. Bowater, Beecham, Unilever, BP. Bur-mah, BSG International, Marks ness in Chicago.

Willis to £17m

strong pound deteriorating premium rates in world insurance markets have led to disappointing results from Lloyd's broker Willis disappointing figures from

> almost 52m, or more than 10 per cent, to £17.16m for the year to December 31. The downward trend shown by other brokers, and the shares fell back 11p to 236p on the

Sentiment was not helped by the fact that the dividend increase was held at under 10 per cent on a net basis. A final gross of 10.7p takes the year's toral up to 15.7p gross.

Willis, which gets 55 per cent of its commissions on overseas business, blamed strength for clipping the profits total by as much as £2.75m. But it also cited softening premium rates, particularly in the United States

At the same time increasing insurance claims have left the group funding greater losses while waiting for the underwriters to pay up, with a consequent reduction in invest-

Profits from the 22 per cent Morgan Grenfell stake rose from £1.8m to £2.1m to contribute to an associate's total of 53.5m, but profits from Sovereign Insurance fell 17 per cent to £651,000.

Overall expenses growth was contained to 16 per cent at £34m but still outstripped income growth of 6 per cent to £47m, or 12 per cent allowing for the effect of sterling's

man, says that premium rates are likely to remain under pressure but that sterling appreciation is unlikely to con-

among London firms.

Willis Faber has recently been strengthening informal links with US ally Johnson & Higgins through the formation of a joint management group for the New York Insurance Exchange and the joint purchase of a surplus lines busin-

Royal Worcester, the chinato-electronics group, has finally broken out of its disconcerting stop-go profits pattern of the last few years. £2.5m on an 8 per cent turnover increase to £25.5m. Up 34 per cent at £3.6m, pro-In electrocomponents, the

Peachey dividend increased

firmly on growth tack

Royal Worcester

fits advanced strongly for the second year in succession in the 12 months to December 29.

By Our Financial Staff

Meanwhile, a lower tax charge has helped boost attri-butable earnings by more than 70 per cent to 49.1p a share. Shareholders are rewarded with a final of 8.14p gross which

lifts the total payment by a fifth to 12.29p gross. Royal has wrested the profits jump from a mere 14 per cent turnover increase, thanks mainly to strong performances

by both the electronic com-ponents division and the traditional fine china operation. Profits from Royal Worcester Spode advanced 24 per cent to

profits increase was 36 per cent to £1.64m on the back of a 24 oer cent turnover increase to £15.9m. The group's Welwyn Electric subsidiary is one of Europe's biggest producers of resistors and is now seeing in-creasing benefits from growth in the micro-technology in-

Royal Worcester has stated that its aim is eventually to

create a 50-50 profits split between china and electronics.

Shareholders of Peachey Property, former empire of the late Sir Eric Miller, will get their biggest interim payout for nearly five years on profits virtually doubled to £1.7m. The dividend is 2.142p.

For the six months to Christmas Day, the group started its strategic move away from private homes into industrial and

office property, committing £6m of the £12m they received from the sale of former headquarters, Park West, near Marble Arch. Managing director Mr John

Brown, who joined the group just over two years ago, said: We have invested £2.2m in the period covering the figures and plan to invest a further £4m in industrial estates, offices and

Phoenix and Sun Allianc hit by increasing claims

By Our Insurance Correspondent

Stormy weather and increasing fire and motor claims caused profits to slump at both Sun Alliance and Phoenix Assurance last year.

At Phoenix, where the underwriting deficit spiralled from £2.7m to £14.1m, profits fell per cent from £37.6m to £31.1m. At Sun Alliance pretax profits plunged more than £10m, or 17 per cent, to £49.2m. after an underwriting loss of £26.4m against the previous

The setback, however, has not stopped either group from significantly boosting dividends. Sun Alliance is paying a final of 20.7p gross, raising the year's total by almost a quarter to 40p gross. Phoenix, with a final of 10.7p, has lifted the total by

In both cases the payments are covered about 24 times by stated earnings.

In Sun Alliance's case a large part of the underwriting delicit was because of exceptional weather claims amounting to £12m, while there were in-creased losses on the ainident and motor accounts and fire business showed a marked

deterioration. The UK and Ireland deficit rose from E4:6m to £16m whilelosses in Europe climbed from £3.4m to £5.5m. Results also deteriorated in most other major overseas territories. Cushioning the blow, investment income rose 171 per cent to £70.3m and long-term insurance profits climbed from £4m to £4.9m. Overall premium income rose from £64.1m to £682m.

At Phoenix large fire and soaring motor clai to weather conditions : umpact of VAT on repa ure blamed for a UK writing deficit of £4.8m tinal quarter. As a re-United Kingdom loss

year rose from £3.2m to Meanwhile US under swung from a previous of £2.4m to a deficit of although in Europe loss fractionally reduced at

The group says Europe the reversal of viously profitable acci due mai weather losses, was the problem and all other tories showed an im

The group's invincome increased by ju-15 per cent to £43.3m.

Merchant

banks rais dividends Financial Staff

Two major merchan Meinwort Benson and Montagu, a subsidiary Midland Bank, yester ported sharply improved for the year. Profits a and transfer to inner at Kleinwort Benson rethird to £12.1m. At the stage the bank about prospects for

Kleinwort has raised dend by 34 per cent gross a share. After r ment of dividends the profit for the year is £8 To bring capital and into line with the size business the board has to bring £10m from defe no longer required to c reserves. This has brong capital and disclosed up from f84m to £110, While Kleinwort Ber not revealed the size gold market has been contributor to

Samuel Montagu has a net profit after tra nared to £1.875m un The total dividends for have been raised from

Highlights from the Annual Report

- Operating profit increased by 18% with significant improvements in cable manufacturing in U.K. and strong performances in Australia and Canada.
- Earnings per ordinary share up 27% including a special tax credit.
- Dividends increased by 10% net.
- Outlook 1980 likely to be a difficult year but further progress

	1979	1978
Sales -	£m	£m
United Kingdom	544.6	445.
Exports	189.8	196
Overseas	455.5	479.
	1,189.9	1,121.
Operating profit	76.8	65.
Finance charges	11.2	8.
Profit before taxation	65.6	56.
Taxation	23.8 _	24,
Profit after taxation Minority interests and	41.8	32.
preference dividends	9.8	7.
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders	32.0	25.
Earnings per ordinary share	21,38p	16.80
Dividends per ordinary share – net	8.57p	7.79

(3.07p per share) arising from the release of the deferred taxation provision in

respect of U.K. stock relief for 1973 and 1974.



The Final Ordinary Dividend of 5.82p net per share (1978: 5.29p net per share) will be paid to ordinary shareholders registered in the books of the Company on 23 May 1980. Warrants will be posted on 27 June 1980, payable 1 July 1980. The complete Press Release's available from the Secretary, BICC Limited, P.O. Box No. 5, 21 Bloomsbury Street, WC1B 30N.

The 1979 Annual Report will be posted to share and loan stock holders on 1 May 1980. The Annual General Meeting will be held on 29 May 1990.

Briefly

Although turnover of Crosby Group eased from £14.17m to £10.01m in 1979, the pre-tax loss was cut from 5234,000 to 555,000. This was after exceptional losses rising activities terminated in 1978 at £138.000. The previous year there was an extraordinary debit at £199,000.

The loss per share before extraordinary items was 2.3p against 22.03p. There is again no dividend.

Provided current levels profitability are maintained the board proposes to recommence paying the preference dividend, together with the arrears, in June, 1980.

June, 1980.

Deltight Industries: Turnover for half year to October 31, 52.549m (£2.259m), Pre-tax profit, £195,500 (£287,000). Interim is 2.85p gross. Reduction in profits resulted from transport and engineering strikes. Current industrial action is causing problems which will affect market for second half of year.

half of year.

Mid-Southern Water: Offer for sale by tender of £5m 10 per cent redeemable preference stock 1985 attracted applications for £9.727m of stock. Lowest price to receive a partial allotment was £98.01. Average price obtained £98.452. Dealings will commence on April 3.

London Intercontinental Trust:

on April 3.
London Intercontinental Trust:
Group loss after all charges £8,000
(£38,000). No tax is charged. Loss per share 0.78p (3.77p). No div.
Energy Finance & General Tst:
A placing of Im new ordinary shares of 10p at 35p each has been completed. Of these about 50 pc have been placed with institutional investors comprising a major pension fund, two insurance companies and two investment trust groups.

Charterhall: Total income for six months to Dec 31 £492,000 (£224,000). Group profit £19,500 (loss £31,500). Group's two financial groups are trading satisfactority and continue to provide cash flow to cover the group's opera-

cial groups are trading satisfactorily and continue to provide cash flow to cover the group's operational expenses.

Carron Co (Hidgs): Turnover for 1979 £38.41m (£32.022m), profit £1.444m (£1.029m) after tax of £165.600 (£196,932). Eps 17.19p (12.24p). Surplus on property revaluation £2.8m. Scrip issue one-for-one proposed. Gross dividend, 6.75p (5.92p).

Titaghur jute factory: Again no dividend for year to June 30. Turnover in Iudia was £18.66m (£24.5m) and in United Kingdom £2.82m (£3.18m). Net loss on Indian operations £312.000 (loss £1.37m) and profit on United Kingdom operations £34,000 (profit £113,000). Loss per share 56.6p (89.9p) before extraordinary items.

OFFICIAL RESERVES

The following are the figures for the United Kingdom's official reserves Issued by the Treasury. 1979			
		_	Change
End of			month
period	£π	Em	\$
1279			
March	17,454	8,446	837
March	21,467	10,378	- 48D
May	21,532	10.392	65
June	22,070	10.163	538
July	23,499	10,400	1.439
Aug	23,305	10.337	- 194
Sept	22,751	10.332	-554
Oct	22,495	10,812	- 253
Hoy	22,417	10.199	81
Dec	22,719	10,211	302
1980			!
.lan	23,706	10,456	987
Feb	23,935	10.523	229
March	26,963	12.460	3,028
Reserves	revalued	each end-Ma	rch. I

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INSURANCE GROUP

The audited results for 1979 are as follows:		
	1979	1978
	£m	. £m
Premium Income	=15.4	#30 T
General Business	546.1	520.7
Long-term Business	136.5	120.7
·	682.6	641.4
	701-4	641.4
Underwriting Result-General Business	(26.4)	(4.9
Long-term Insurance Profits	4.9	_4.0
Investment Income	70.3	59.8
Other Income	· 0.4	0.6
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	49 2	59.5
Taxation	17.8	26.1
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PROFIT AFTER TAXATION	31.4	33.4
Minority Interests	0.4	0.3
·		
PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS	31.0	33.1
DIVIDENDS	13.8	11.2
PROFIT RETAINED	17.2	21.9
FRUFII RELAMBLU	17-2	
EARNINGS PER SHARE	62.9p	67.11
Committee Tour Avenue		

GEOGRAPHICAL ANALYSIS OF GENERAL INSURANCE BUSINESS RESULTS

	1979		1978	
	Premium Income	Under- writing Result	Premium Income	Under writin: Resul
	£m	£m	£m	£m
United Kingdom & Ireland*	318.0	(16.0)	281.2	(4.6)
Europe	86.9	(5.5)	90.4	(3.4)
J.S.A.		0.6	63.9	2.5
Canada	15.9	(LO).	16.1	0.3
Australia	22.5	(0.1)	28.0	1.3
Other Overseas	40.8	(4.4)	41.1	(1.0)
	546.1	(26.4)	520.7	(4.9)

*including international Marine and Reinsurance business written in the U.K.

Underwriting Results Premium income on general business world-wide increased by 49%. Excluding the effect of changes in exchange rates, the underlying growth was 9.2% Underwriting results were severely affected by extreme weather losses which

altogether are estimated to have cost £16r In the United Kingdom, exceptional weather claims totalled £12m, the Personal Account again suffering a heavy underwriting loss. There were also increased losses on the Accident and Motor Accounts, while Fire underwriting showed a marked

In Europe, there was a reduced loss in Germany but poorer results were produced

Weather losses in the United States, including the damage caused by Hurricane "David" and "Frederick", affected the property underwriting results. In Canada there was a general deterioration in most classes of business. Elsewhere overseas, underwriting experience was largely unsatisfactory and some heavy losses were suffered in several territories.

The 1977 Marine, Aviation and Transport Account closed with a profit and a transfer of £2.5m has been made to Profit and Loss Account.

The transfer included an increased contribution from the main Life Fund as result of the valuation as at 31st December, 1979. Investments

Investment income increased by 17.6%. The underlying growth, after allowing for changes in exchange rates, was 20.7%. The Group's solvency margin at the end of the year was 72%.

The Directors have resolved to declare at the Annual General Meeting on 28th May, 1980 a total dividend of 28.0p per share in respect of the year 1979. An interim dividend of 13.5p per share was paid on 4th January, 1980 and the final dividend of 14.5p will be said on 4th July news 14.5p will be paid on 4th July next.

The total dividend, with the appropriate tax credit, will be equivalent to a 2001S distribution of 40.0p per share, compared with 32.854p per share for 1978.

Full Accounts and the Chairman's Statement will be posted to shareholders on 25th April, 1980.

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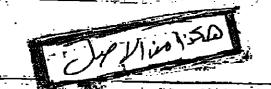
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liminary Statement for 1979

•		- ,	By Philip Robinson
		ended	Mr Philip Harris's furniture, carpets and DIY group Harris
		cember	Queensway, which came to mar-
•	1979	1978	ket 15 months ago and is in the
yer including Share of Sales of	2000	0003	middle of a second takeover in
sociated Companies	295,694	288,645	a year, pushed profits up 61 per cent last year.
	203,004	200,045	I That was without the help
rsis of Profit p Profit before Interest including Share	_		from Hardy Furnishers, which
Profits of Associated Companies	•		It bought last July after a bitter
d Kingdom			fight and which managed to
ncipal Products	4,935	4.132	break even in the five months to December.
Jineering	(11,692)	2,203	Mr Harris says Hardy is now
sociated Companies	2,953	2,793	making profits and is one
	(2.904)	0.100	reason for his confidence of
	(3,804)	9,128	for the first three months are
1005			higher than this time last year,
rth, Central and South America	4,763	6,117	i he says.
ica.	6,546	4,957	Total gross dividend is 8.57p
a. Australasia and the Pacific	1,804 995	1,032 550	on the enlarged share capital
M. 1. 20110			with a 5.714p final. It was paid from profits of £8.8m on a turn-
•	14,108	12,656	over up 50 per cent at £79.9m.
p Profit before Interest	10 204	04.704	
et Payable	10,304 6,715	21,784 4,672	No manage
	3,713	4,012	No progress of
before Taxation	3,589	17,112	
and Loss Account		 .	compensation
7) Trading Profit excluding Ashlow	9,209	0.076	. –
est Pavable -	6.715	9,976 4,672	By Our Financial Staff
			Boilermaker and engineer
To a martini informacione e m	2,494	5,304	Yarrow & Co said last night it
, of Profits of Associated Companies	12,901	8,423	is as far as ever from reaching an agreement with the Depart-
before Taxation excluding Ashlow	15,395	13,727	ment of Industry over compen-
w Loss before Interest Payable	13,353	10,125	sation for shipbuilding interests
178 Profit)	(11,606)	1.884	nationalized three years ago.
Monal Credits	· 	1,501	Yarrow's finance director, Mr
before Taxation	2 5 8 0	47440	lain Mann, said: "We are still
jou	3,589 1,053	17,112 7,182	negotiating on and off, but the amount they might be prepared
F		7,102	to offer is still a long way short
	2,536	9,930	of what we have requested."
s of Subsidiaries attributable to			Talks have been going on for
side Shareholders (1978 Profits)	600	(531)	two years. Yarrow is claiming
	3,136	9,399	between £15m and £20m and is
ordinary Charges	6,233		still discussing pre-nationaliza- tion profits of £10m locked up
ther Taxation and Extraordinary Charge			Danis and State of
butable to Bridon Limited (1978 Profit	(3,097)	9,399	Business appointments
nds—Ordinary Shares			A .
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78 2.3 pence per share) 2.7 pence per share	1,250	1,250	- THERES OF
78 4.5596 pence per share)	1,467	2,477	board of
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since and Preferred Ordinary Dividends		12	Yorkshire
	2 720	0.720	
taken to the Group and Associated	2,729	3,739	Bank
panies			Daith
erves (1978 Surplus)	(5,825)	5,660	Viscount De L'Isle and Mr
•			Derek E. Wilde, have retired as directors of Yorkshire Bank. Mr
	<u>(3,097)</u>	9,399	directors of Yorkshire Bank. Mr
gs per Share	, 	P-81-1-1111 ·	Sydney Wild, has retired from the National Westminster Bank and
ore Extraordinary Charges)-net	5.75p	17.28p	ceases to be a nominated director.
nii	7.89p	17.28p	but remains on the heard of York.
•			shire Bank as deputy chairman. Mr George F. Gregory and Mr
s for 1979 were dominated by the tradi	ng losses o	f Ashlow	Anthony J. de N. Rudge have
3 Engineering, which amounted to £11	.8m betore	interest	been appointed to the board to represent National Westminster Bank and Barclays Bank respec-
profit before tax was thus reduced of the Group producing £15.4m	.80 (0 £3. 1 aceinet 1	om, the	Bank and Barclays Bank respec-
_e figure of £13.7m in 1978.	· BYGHIST (. GUIIF	tively.
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lition to the Ashlow trading losses amounting to £11.8m interest, a further provision of £6.2m has been made Extraordinary Charges in respect of the costs of closing fallow Alsing Road manufacturing facility. As a conabout the least ally to affect the 1980 results. A separate announcement ···icis

at the effect of the British Steel Corporation strike. ects for 1980 were encouraging, with indications that a ctory level of profit would be achieved during the year. er, our United Kingdom steel operations have already ed a severe blow from the strike with a consequent effect ofits. Until steel supplies return to normal it is impossible any indication regarding the 1980 Group performance.

nsidering the final ordinary dividend for the year, the has taken into account the results for 1979 as affected Ashlow losses and the current United Kingdom situation re potential for the Group.

at this background, the Board has decided to recommend I dividend on the ordinary shares for 1979 of 2.7 pence per share payable on 22nd May, 1980, to shareholders on egister at the close of business on 24th April, 1980. ner with the interim dividend of 2.3 pence (net) per this would represent a total dividend of 5.0 pence (net) dinary share for 1979. spril. 1980

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The Over-the-Counter Market								
TOM.	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross DAV(p)	Yld	P/E		
64	Airsprung Group	64	_	6.7	10.5	*3.8		
29	Armitage & Rhodes	29		3.8	13.1	*2.0		
185	Bardon Hill	255	_	13.8	5.4	7.5		
80	County Cars Pref	. 80-		15.3	19.1			
63	Deborah Ord	99	. +2	5.0	5.1	10.9		
88	Frank Horsell	107	+2	7.9	7.4	6.6		
98	Frederick Parker	99	-1	12.8	12.9	*4.5		
102	George Blair	106		16.5	15.6	*		
45-	Jackson Group	70		5.2	7.4	*4.1		
113	James Burrough	115		7.2	6.3	10.1		
242		265	1:3	31.3	11.8	*8 .5		
175	Robert Jenkins	218	+2	14.3	6.6	*5.7		
121	Torday Limited			0.8	6.7	*2.4		
702	Twinlock Ord	121			15.4	-2.7		
70	Twinlock 12% ULS	. 78	+2	12.0				
23	Unilock Holdings	49	_	2.6	5.3	10.4		
49	Unilock Holdings Nev	49	_	_		10.4		
42	Walter Alexander	97	+2	4.4	4.5	6.4		
136		84xd	+2	12.1	6.6	3.0		

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DELTA INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED

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Interim Statement (Unaudited)

Issels per Share	US\$2.90	US\$1.83
eficit	993	387
usels	49,323	20,938
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FINANCIAL NEWS

Harris Queensway 61pc ahead

By Philip Robinson Mr Philip Harris's furniture, carpets and DIY group Harris Queensway, which came to mar-ket 15 months ago and is in the middle of a second takeover in a year, pushed profits up 61 per cent last year,

on the enlarged share capital with a 5.714p final. It was paid from profits of £8.8m on a turn-over up 50 per cent at £79.9m.

April 16.

Harris's reorganization of Hardy is now complete. It has sold the credit side to Tricity Finance for £13.5m, out of which it repaid a £9m loan, and sold properties valued at £2.2m which have virtually covered the cost of closing 40 of Hardy's 187 shops and reducing the workforce from 1,800 to

A revaluation of group's longlease and freehold properties has increased tangible assets from £7.2m to £28m. At the end of December the group had cash

and bank balances of £5m and borrowings of £10.2m. A similar reorganization plan is expected when Harris's bid for furniture group Henderson Kenton goes unconditional

No progress on Yarrow compensation talks

Mr James Gulliver has been appointed chairman of Louis C. Edwards (Manchester). Mr Kendrick Edwards has joined the board and Mr John Edwards and Mr Peter Edwards have resigned

Mr Martin J. Hesse has joined the board of Wigham Poland Reinsurance Brokers. ;

Mr. H. Horton has been appointed to the board of Capper Neill.

Mr Brian C. Cunningham has been appointed managing director of Hugh Smith (Glasgow) after the retirement of Mr Alexander Robertson.

Mr A. E. F. Wilkinson becomes managing director of Eclipse Tools on April 9.

Mr P. J. Jeffcote, Mr A. C. W. Peck, Mr F. G. Sandison, Mr G. L. B. Darlington and Mr A. M. V. Salz become partners in Freshfields on May 1. Mr G. B. Nicholson, will become a partner on his return to London from the New York Office.

Mr B. A. Sparkes has been appointed commercial director of Crompton Electricars.

Mr C. J. C. Martin has been appointed secretary of Burrell & Co.

Mr W. G. Dawson has succeeded

Mr D. Styles as chairman of Atkins of Hinckley. Mr Styles will remain as a director and as chair-man of Atkins Brothers (Hoslery)

Mr Arnold Rosen has been appointed president of the Parti-tioning Industry Association.

Mr H. Black has become an executive director of Richardsons, Westgarth & Co. Mr K. Tidd has been appointed managing director of Borgess & Co (Engineers) and of B & E Boilers, and Mr J. Crewe has been appointed management

Crewe has been appointed mana-ging director of Burgess & Co

Mr R. Hanbury-Tension, has become a regional director of the South Wales regional board of Lloyds Bank.

Mr Graham Ford has been appointed a director of Brown Shipley Insurance Services.

Mr S. J. Clarke has become deputy chairman of Camrex (Hold-ings).

Mr H. J. Foulds has been

Mr D. C. Hunt, Mr L. J. Mills and Mr A. J. Robinson will be joining Binder Hamlyn on May 1. Mr T. Green will be retiring and Mr R. W. Altken will be leaving on April 30.

Mr Geoffrey Barnfield, director and general manager of Midland Assurance, has resigned his execu-tive office but will continue as a

Bank Base

Rates

BCCI Bank 17%
Consolidated Crdts 17%
C. Hoare & Co *17%
Lloyds Bank 17%

C. Hoare & Co ... 17%
Lloyds Bank ... 17%
London Mercantile ... 17%
Midland Bank ... 17%
Nat Westminster ... 17%
Rossminster ... 17%
TSB ... 17%
Williams and Glyn's ... 17%

• 7 day deposit on sums of £10,000 and under 15%, up to £25,000 154%, over

£25,000 15'z'.

Barclays Bank

non-executive director.

ABN Bank

in the shipbuilding interests under a complex Government loan deal in 1971.

Yarrow profits for the six months to the end of December fell from £734,000 to £330,000, although the figure includes full provision of an undisclosed substantial loss incurred on a large ship repair contract cur-rently the subject of negotia-

Sir Eric Yarrow, the chairman, says that the second half should show improved profitability and that the total dividend should be at least 10,714p. A higher 3.57p interim is paid to reduce the disparity between the two payouts.

A Arenson advance falls short of forecasts

A. Arenson (Holdings), the St Albans manufacturer of office and domestic furniture and a leading supplier to MFI, will probably raise pretax profits in the year to next July from £1.4m to about £1.55m. But earlier hopes of £1.9m can be

Meanwhile Mr Archie Aren-son and his colleagues did well to lift sales by 10 per cent to £7.26m in the six months to January 31, and pre-tax profits by 15 per cent to £495,000. But these were well below earlier marker estimates,

However, the margin widen-ing reflects a successful investment programme and as market leader Arenson has managed to raise prices, leaving competitors

In his interim bulletin the chairman speaks of dearer raw materials pressing on margins, and of a softening in domestic demand for office furniture, still the bulk of business.

Arenson is growing fast in the United States and Europe and MFI is also bringing it more business through the takeover of Status. It is, however, a tough customer. The year's dividend is likely

to be increased by 15 per cent (like the interim, which was raised from 0.45p to 0.52p or 2p yesterday, the shares still yield less than 6 per cent.

However, the interim dividend is covered nearly four times on a normal tax charge and, thanks to allowonces, tax in the latest balf year took

Swire Pacific disappointing

Profits growth in 1979 was slower than expected at Swire Pacific of Hongkong, which yes-terday reported a group net profit of HK\$325.7m, after an extraordinary loss of HK52.2m, compared with a net profit of HKS324.3m in 1978. A final dividend of 34 cents

per "A" share was proposed, making 51 cents for 1979 against 45 cents in 1978. The proposed final for "B" shares was 6.8 cents, making 10.2 cents, up from 8 cents a year ago.

International

A company spokesman said the principal factor in the slower than expected profits growth was the adverse effect of higher fuel prices and the yen's weakness on earnings of Cathay Paci-fic Airways.

Stock market analysis noted sults.

Deutsche Bank downturn

meeting in May to approve the creation of up to DM100m of Deutsche Bank, West Germany's largest bank, west der-many's largest bank, will pay an unchanged dividend of DM9 per DM50 nominal share for 1979 despite a 7.5 per cent drop in parent bank profits to DM283.9m (£64.6m) from DM307.2m in 1978, the bank contingency capital.

The total dividend payout was DM193.9m, on basic capital of DM1,114m (raised by DM74m during 1979).

Share from the capital

Shares from the capital announced yesterday.

The bank said it would ask will be entitled to half the shareholders at the annual dividend payout for 1979.

Swiss National recovers The Swiss National Bank reported an earnings surplus of ings surplus was set off against the previous year's loss.

The bank proposed an undirected of the proposed and indeed of the p ings surplus was set off against the previous year's loss.

Its annual report attributed changed 6 per cent dividend the improvement to a calming of foreign exchange markets. of foreign exchange markets. of 5m fran
The bank showed no profit government.

Metals company improves Metallgesellschaft, the West Despite the improvement, German metals company, had Herr Ratjen said there were too many risks associated with the very satisfactory results in very satisfactory results in economy to predict how the all divisions in the first five fiscal year would end. months of 1979-80 after profits

The drop in 1978-79 profits. fell 18.1 per cent to DM19.9m company spokesman said, was in the year to September 30, due to continuing extraordinary 1979, managing board chairman costs for restructuring of the Herr Karl Gustav Ratien said group's metals processing op-

that second half earnings were about 25 per cent below the year earlier level, and termed the overall result "extremly disappointing", noting that the market had been expecting a

profit of about HK5380m.

Swire Properties, said the spokesman, had an excellent year with profits increased by 38.4 per cent over the previous year. Shipping, offshore services' and the dockyards division also all improved on the 1978 re-

Conzine Riotinto

Conzinc Riorinto of Australia (CRA) said it had formally settled its agreements on acquisition of certain mining interests from BH South and North Broken Hill Holdings.

The acquisitions are part of a complex deal worked out with Western Mining Corp Holdings to facilitate WMC's takeover of BH South.

Grand Met barred

Liggett Group said yesterday it had won a preliminary in-junction in North Carolina's Superior Court barring Grand Metropolitan of Britain from acquiring any more of its

Grand Metropolitan disclosed on March 21 that it had acquired 802,000, or 9.5 per cent of Liggett shares. Liggett said the court also barred Grand Metropolitan from disposing of any Liggert shares exthe court.

Electrolux deal

Electrolux is discussing with.

Norwegian state-owned Aardal.

Sunndal Verk the sale of up to 49 per cent of the shares in Graenges Aluminium, an Electrolux spokesman said in Stock!

Statement by the Chairman, Mr Stuart Cameron

Trading Results -- Year to 31st December, 1979

For the second year in succession the Group has achieved record results. Group profit before interest was significantly up, by 20%, and, with a lower interest charge for the year, pre-tax profits were up by £12.2 million at £63.2

The tax charge has benefited from £14.1 million reflecting the writing off of stock appreciation relief. Without this, the net profit attributable to shareholders increased by £7 million to £31.6 million.

While the pre-interest profits of our domestic tobacco business contributed largely to our total profit increase there was a return to profits growth in the engineering division, up by 38%, and good increases also in optical and distribution. Total sales were up by 6.4% with domestic tobacco sales 6.1% up, overseas tobacco sales 3.5% up and all the other divisions, engineering, optical and distribution, showing increases.

Tobacco-Domestic

With price increases during the year by manufacturers, and with an increase in tax by the Government, the U.K. cigarette market in 1979 showed a marginal decrease. It was dominated by continuing strong competition both in discount pricing and the introduction of new brands in the king size sector, which continued to grow, albeit at a slower rate than in 1978. Lower tar cigarettes also showed some growth.

Sales of all our brands were affected by industrial disputes - the road hauliers' in January 1979 and a dispute in our Northern Ireland factories in early summer. With the recovery of cigarettes sales by the year end, BENSON & HEDGES SPECIAL FILTER retained its position as the leading U.K. brand, with SILK CUT King Size growing and dominating the low tar sector.

Pipe and handrolling tobacco sales were, however, seriously reduced by the industrial disputes. There was a marked recovery at the turn of the year, and we are confident that CONDOR and OLD HOLBORN will regain their former positions, CLAN and HOLLAND HOUSE from Niemeyer continue to grow

Sales of home manufactured cigars were less affected by stock shortages and, with an increase in the overall market, there was growth in HAMLET, KING SIX and MEDALLION. Sales of ROYAL DUTCH HALF CORONAS from Ritmeester are also increasing significantly.

Tobacco-Overseas

Our export business continued to develop with encouraging successes in the Middle East and in the Duty Free Trade, although profits were held back by adverse exchange rates. We believe, however, that worldwide trends to milder smoking will help the development of our main export brand, SILK CUT

Our Dublin company once again increased its share of all sectors of the Republic of Ireland market. The devaluation of the Republic of Ireland pound relative to sterling reduced profits, but these exceeded the previous year. In October, severe restrictions were imposed on the advertising and promotion of tobacco products but it is too early to assess their effect. We are confident in our future prospects in the Irish Republic and are in the midst of a major investment

In the Netherlands, NIEMEYER ended the year on an encouraging note with rising market shares and excellent exports to West Germany. We believe this company is now strongly placed for the future. RITMEESTER, in contrast, is in a difficult position with its domestic market in steep decline and with most export markets weak. The company is adapting to its changing circumstances, but it faces a difficult period ahead.

An improvement in total engineering earnings was achieved. Our Italian subsidiary, FIP, had an excellent year, and SAUNDERS VALVE made good progress following reorganisation. Both SAUNDERS VALVE and the MONO GROUP, however, were affected by the national engineering strike from August to October, with a serious effect on both profits and customer goodwill at home and overseas.

Optical

Notwithstanding our 'voluntary' freezing of prices in the private sector for seven months resulting from the otherwise satisfactory investigation by the Price Commission, the DOLLAND & AITCHISON GROUP again achieved higher profits, turnover and volume. Since the financial year-end AUTOFLOW ENGINEERING, a small optical machinery manufacturing subsidiary, has been sold and WESLEY-JESSEN (U.K.) has become a wholly owned subsidiary of DOLLAND INTERNATIONAL.

In Italy, where we now have 72 branches, expansion was slowed down to allow a period of consolidation and profits approximately doubled. Trading in the 12 branches in the Netherlands again proved disappointing.

Retailing and Wholesaling

The growth of FORBUOYS, which has over 450 retail confectionery, tobacco and newsagents' shops, continues. Profits, although slightly ahead of the previous year, were affected by the increase in V.A.T. imposed in June, which created consumer price-resistance particularly in the case of confectionery. Disruptions in the supply of newspapers and periodicals were also frequent during the year.

There are two specialist distribution companies within our Group. TOBACCO KIOSKS operates self-contained kiosks selling tobacco products in large supermarkets and other stores. Its results were most encouraging. MAYFAIR VENDING is a major operator of cigarette vending machines. Sales growth was good, but its results were penalised by losses on stocks in machines at the time of the V.A.T. increase.

Our wholesaling group, WARRINER & MASON, successfully achieved a major rationalisation programme with the sale of the delivered grocery trade division and closure of small uneconomic cash and carry depots. Operating results improved, notwithstanding the costs of this programme. Our wholesaling companies have very substantial sales in Scotland and Northern Ireland as well as in England,

People

On 31st December, 1979 Mr. Hume Stewart-Moore retired from the office of Chairman and Chief Executive, and from the Board. He joined the company in November 1934 as a pupil apprentice, and, thirty two years later, was appointed Managing Director and Chief Executive, becoming Chairman in 1975. Mr. Stewart-Moore's contribution to the Group's present prosperity has been outstanding. Our success in tobacco in the U.K., the development of our overseas tobacco businesses, as well as our strong growth in non-tobacco areas, have all stemmed from his leadership and inspiration. We are grateful to him and wish him well in retirement.

He has already thanked and paid tribute to the loyal and devoted services of the many people who constitute the Gallaher Group. I now wish to endorse this on behalf of all the Directors.

Outlook

The economic prospects for the U.K. as a whole have deteriorated over the past year. Inflation has again become a dominant influence spurred on by oil price increases. The consequent need to control the money supply and purchasing power is bound to result in a degree of recession.

In the U.K., Gallaher will not be immune from these influences, but does gain notable strength from its particular mix of businesses and from its very sound financial position. It is our intention to build on this strength both at home and abroad during the coming years of the new decade.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS	_ 		£000s		
•		79	379	1978	
Group Sales		1,621	,300	1,523,300	
Profit before interest		66	,000	55,000	
Profit before Taxation		63	200	51,000	
Profit after Taxation		45	,500	24,800	
Net Assets		329	,800	323,300	
SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES	 		000s	<u> </u>	
•	Sales		Profi	t/(Loss)	
	1979	1978	1979	1978	

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES	. £000s						
•	Sak	28	Profit/(Loss)				
	1979	1978	1979	1978			
Tobacco - Domestic	1,098,900	1,035,900	45,200	39,400			
Overseas	176,200	170,300	3,900	3,500			
Engineering Optical & Associated	66,800	59,300	5,490	3,900			
Activities	40,600	34,900	7,100	6,300			
Distribution	238,800	222,900	3,160	2,400			
Group Financing			1,309	(500)			
·	1,621,300	1,523,300	65,000	55,000			
			<u> </u>				

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Tough going for Hanger in second half

lower second-half profits, but the full year taxable surplus moves ahead for 1979 still rose by 16 per cent to £2.71m on turnover up from £48.8m to £72.4m.

28.06m against £4.40m. As fore-cast, the gross dividend for 1979 rises from 0.72p to 4.29p. cast, the gross from 9.1p to 13.0p. The divi-

Berkley Hambro Property reports a group revenue for 1979 of £6.68m against £5.90m and Leasing probably accounts for two-fifths of pre-tax profits after expenses and interest payand depreciation and interest able of £3.14m against £4.63m. charges relating to leasing were much higher. Profit was struck after total group charges of £8.06m against £4.40m. As fore-

£8.5m mortgage debenture at a maintain the dividend at 1.47p fixed rate of 93 repayable 19972002.

The board has brought tor-

Solicitors' law falls 38 pc

Despite a rise in turnover from £22.7m to £23.9m, pre-tax profits of Solicitors Law Stationery Society for the whole

ward the closure of its Belgian and French publishing business

F J C Lilley tops £5m mark

F. J. C. Lilley, a civil engineering group managed a 17 per cent advance in pre-tax profits to £5.1m over the year provisionally at 127.61 on April to January 31. This was 1 against 127.80 a week earlier.

Hanger Investments, the Ford motor car dealer and vehicle leasing specialist, produced lower second-half profits, but

Hanger expects 1980 to be a dend is up 50 per cent to 7.85p gross.

The board says that total borrowings have been reduced to below £8.6m and include an inc cent ahead to 5.5p.

The order book is at record levels with most of the work in the United Kingdom but uncertain economic conditions worldwide do not make for optimistic forecasts.

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Corporation.

Bank; United Commercial Bank; United Overseas Bank Ltd. S. G. Warburg & Co Ltd; West-deutsche Landesbank Gronzen-trale; Williams & Glyn's Bank Ltd.

The Yasuda Trust and Banking Co. Ltd : Yorkshire Bank Ltd. Ziynostenská Banka National

Licensed deposit-taking institutions

The Alliance Trust Co Ltd.
Bank of Europe Ltd; Barclays
Bank UK Ltd; Bownaker Ltd;
Bucks Land & Building Co Ltd;
Bunge & Co Ltd.

Charterhouse Japhet Credit Lid; Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia; Corinthian Securides

tu. Docan Lawrie Ltd. East Midlands Finance Co Ltd.; EBS Investments Ltd; The English Association Investment Trading Co Ltd; E. T. Trust Ltd; Exeter

First Ltd.
First National Securities Ltd.
Greyhound Guarany Ltd.
Hume Corporation Ltd.
Industrial Bank of Scotland Ltd.;

Wall Street

New York, April 2.—Stock prices moved marginally higher in moderately active trading this morning. The Dow Jones industrial average was fractionally higher and advances outnumbered declines by about three-to-two.

Marathon Oil gained 11 to 561. It reported results of a North Sea oil well test. Applied Devices, trading for the first time since January 29, Jost 21 to 21. Boeing gained 12 to 547. All Nippon Airways signed a \$1,500m contract with Boeing for 40 aircraft.

On Tuesday prices were mixed near the close with issues trading in a narrow range. The Dow Jones industrial average was off 1.28 points to 784.47, but advances led declines about nine to five on volume of about 32,000,000 stares.

Analysts believed the market had settled down following the narrow of the control of the part of the pa price decline and subsequent rally Thursday, the sharp recovery Fri-day and smaller gain Monday. The market has risen steadily since it his a five-year low last Thursday afternoon in a crisis atmosphere caused by forced salling of the Runt family's silver holdings. The recovery of stock prices was aided by a stabilization

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Analysts said the stock market rally run into some resistance, however, as traders' attention turned back to recession worries.
Engelbard Minerals and Chemicals lost 1! to 24!. It received 8.5m ounces of silver from the Hunt brothers as part of a preliminary agreement to renegotiate a previous sales contract.
One of the big gainers was Ashland Oil which closed 5! higher at 35°. Howard Johnson gained ? to 15 after closing more than 10 points lower yesterday.

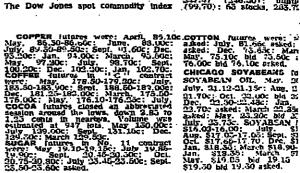
The Wall Street and Canadian stock prices given in the table re-late to Tuesday's close. Later pub-lication is caused by the change to British Summer Time. This will continue until Eastern Daylight

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Options

The approach of Easter effect tively put a damper on business in the traded options market yesterday as total contracts fell from 564 to 384. The improvement among mining shares provided RTZ with some renewed inquiry which led the way with 94 contracts closely followed by Land Secs on 60 and Imperial Grp on 51. The quieter conditions left

dealers plenty of time to speculate over the expanded market currently being proposed by the Stock Exchange Council. The names of the additional constituents also continue to be bandied about with companies including P & O. Distillers and Plessey proving popular.

Traditional options encountered reasonable inquiry with tered reasonable inquiry with calls in the usual favourites like Courtaulds, Burmah, Lon-rho and Premier. A "put" was arranged in First National Finance and "doubles" were completed in Bridon, Burton Warrants and Charterhall. Law Report April 2 1980

Granada ordered to disclose 'source' of documents

British Steel Corporation v and using documents in contraGranada Television Lid and Second Megarry, ViceChancellor The Vice-Chancellor granted an application by British Steel that

The Vice-Chancellor granted an application by British Steel that Cranada Television should forthwith make and serve upon British Steel's solicitors an affidavit setsteel s solicions an arridavit set-ting forth the names of all persons responsible for supplying them with confidential documents being the property of British Steel or with any copies thereof. The application arose out of a

World in Action programme. bransmitted by Granada on February 4 on the steel strike, when the documents were shown and extensive quotations made from them.

Mr Leonard Hoffman, QC. and Mr David Steel; Mr Alexander Irvine, QC, Mr J. E. Camp and Mr Patrick Moloney for Granada. The VICE-CHANCELLOR said that the main thrust of the pro-gramme seemed to be to advance the view that poor management was responsible for BSC's diffiwas responsible for BSC's diffi-culties, and also intervention by the Government. During the pro-gramme, entitled "The steel papers" the documents obtained from B°C played a substantial part. Both by sound and sight it was made plain that the docu-ments were secret, not intended for publication. Shots showed documents with "Secret" stamped on them in large letters.

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On February 5, the day after the programme was broadcast, BSC informed Granada that the documents were highly confidential and that publication was a breach of confidence and of BSC's copyright in them. BSC demanded undertakings against any publication and the return of the documents.

Granada refused. BSC issued

Granada refused. BSC issued writs and Mr Justice Oliver granted an ex parte injunction restraining the publication or reproduction of the documents.

The documents were delivered to BSC's solicitors on February 28. Many had been mutilated making ir difficult or impossible to identify which particular copy of a duplicated document it was that had come into Granada's possession. BSC's request to be informed of the identity of the person who supplied them to Granada was not complied with. Granada was not complied with.

In those circumstances BSC on March 6 issued the notice of motion now before his Lordship and amended the writ, the only relief claimed being an affidavit of names. The basis of the application was the House of Lords decision in Norwich Pharmacal Control of Countries and Projec Commission. decision in Norwich Pharmacal Co v Customs and Excise Commissioners ([1974] AC 133) that a person who became involved in the tortious acts of others, even if innocently, was under a duty to assist a person injured by those acts by giving him full information by way of discovery and disclosing the identity of the tort-feasor.

feasor. Such an action might be brought even though the plaintiff had no other cause of action and sought no other relief, though it could not be brought against someone not involved in the wrongdoing beyond being a witness or having some relevant document in his Mr Irvine did not dispute that

the documents had reached Granada as a result of wrongful acts by a person or persons un-known to BSC, nor did he suggest that Granada had received them in ignorance of any wrongdoing.
He accepted the inevitable conclusion that Granada had known
very well that they were receiving

Before Mr Justice Vinelott
The Conservative and Unionist
Central Office is not an "unincorporated association" falling within
the definition of a "company in
section 526(5) of the Income and
Corporation Taxes Act, 1970, and
its profits are accordingly not
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His Lordship, in a reserved judgment, allowed an appeal by Central Office from a decision of special commissioners against five assessments to corporation tax made on it for the five years ended March 31, 1972, to 1976, inclusive, each of £40,000.

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He held, as had been conceded by Central Office, that the funds were instead liable to bear income tax chargeable under section 114 on the Conservative Party Treasurer or officials as "the persons receiving or entitled to the

sons receiving of children to the income ".

Section 238(1) of the Act provides: "Corporation tax shall be charged on profits of companies..."

By section 528(5), "Company" is defined as "any body corporate or unincorporated association, but does not include a partnership, a local authority or a local authority association."

Mr Andrew Park, QC, and Mr David Goldberg for Central Office; Mr Brian Davenport and Mr Robert Ham for the Crown.

MR JUSTICE VINELOTI said that the question was whether

that the question was whether the income of funds held by or under the control of the Central Office was income or funds of au "unincorporated association". The commissioners in auswering

The commissioners in answering the question in the affirmative identified the unincorporated association as the Conservative Party which they found to be an association "comprising members of local Conservative constituency associations, and the members of both Houses of Parliament who took the Conservative widp."

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The commissioners had before them the written statements of two eminent Conservatives, Lord Chelmer and Mr George Carlyle, who was comptroller of Central Office. They had also been referred to the Conservative and Unionist Central Office annual report for 1975-76, the Conservative Board of Finance constitution and rules, the rules and standing orders of the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations (1972) and a booklet issued in 1971 by Central Office entitled The Party Organization.

The structure of the Conservative Party organization was destined.

The structure of the Conservative Party organization was described as being made up of three
elements: (i) the parliamentary
party consisting of members of
both Houses taking the Conservative whip; (ii) the mass membership represented by the National
Unioa, of which the constituency
association was the basic unit;
and (iii) the party headquarters—
the Central Office—which with its
area offices operated the

the Central Office—which with its area offices operated the machinery of the party organization throughout England and Wales, and the Conservative Research Department. At the head of those elements stood the Leader of the Party.

Central Office had its origins in the appointment by Disraeli of Gorst as his principal agent in 1870. Before then the chief agent of the leader of the party had been a London firm of solicitors. Gorst was appointed to take on

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plain that those claims were well founded.

That conclusion was not affected by the statement in an affidavit by Mr Boulton, the Head autoavit by air souton, the Head of Current Affairs for Granada, that Granada were firmly of the view that they received the documents in circumstances "not inments in circumstances "not involving any dishonesty or criminal
conduct". Mr Irvine did stress,
however, that no-money or benefit
in kind was sought or paid or
given in return for them. The
documents, Mr Boulton said, were
volunteered by a "source" with
"a keen sense of indignation
about the dealings between BSC
and the Government before and and the Government before and during the strike". He also said that a firm promise was made to the "source" that no step would be taken that might reveal or risk the disclosure of the "source's"

identity.

His Lordship found it difficult to see what meaning was to be accibed to the word "honesty" if it was to be applied to the conduct of an employee who had access to his employer's confidences and was receiving his pay from them and yet was secretly removing highly confidential documents from his employers and passing them to third parties to enable them to criticize the employers in public. It would be more frank to describe that as 'dishonesty in what is claimed to be a worthy cause".

Mr Irvine prudently refrained from advancing any contention that Granada had been entitled to do what they did; and he accepted that at the lowest the documents must have been obtained in breach of confidence and that that might well be a foundation for bringing criminal charges—which sharply distinguished from the

Criminal Charges—which sharply distinguished Granada from the customs commissioners in Norwich

All Mr Irvine's efforts were All Mr Irvine's efforts were directed towards establishing that Granada should not be ordered to disclose to BSC the names of those who supplied the documents. He relied on two main propositions: (1) that the court had a discretion to refuse to order disclosure when disclosure would be in breach of some ethical or social value, and that the confidential relationship between newspapers or other that the confidential relationship between newspapers or other media of information and their sources of information was an ethical or social value which the court ought to protect; (2) that Granada was protected against the demand for disclosure by the privilege against self-crimination.

Mr Boulton sald that "there is a real risk that if Granada was to identify its source, then, with BSC in its present mood, criminal proceedings might result against both

in its present mood, criminal proceedings might result against both the source and Granada". Mr Irvine had to establish that Granada had reasonable grounds for believing, and did believe, that if they disclosed the source, there would be a "real and appreciable danger" that "in the ordinary course of things" and under "the ordinary operation of law" they would be prosecuted for some criminal offence.

But Ex narte Reunolds (1882)

But Ex parte Reynolds ((1882) 20 Ch D 294) made it plain that the privilege against self-crimina-tion could be invoked only by someone who did so in good faith for his own protection, and not for some ulterior purpose: it was not a privilege against the incrimination of others, or for the pro-

success.

The commissioners, accepting the Crown's argument, found that the Central Office funds held by the party treasurer were owned by the members of the unincorporated association comprising all the members of the local constituency associations together with

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ency associations together with the Conservative members of both Houses of Parliament.

Mr Park submitted that there were six characteristics of an unincorporated association: (i) membership; (ii) a contract between those members inter se; (iii) a constitutional arrangement for meeting of members and for the appointment of committees and officers; (iv) adherence—a member had to be free to join or leave the association at will; (v) continuity—an association had to continue in existence independently of any changes in the composition of members; and (vi) formation—a moment of time when an number of presons had handed together to form the association.

association.

The first two points were rightly put forward as essential characteristics. The sixth also was a necessary consequence of such an association.

The commissioners' conclusion

must have been an inference drawn from the documentary evidence before them, suppliemented by the statements and oral evidence of Lord Chelmer

oral evidence of Lord Chelmer and Mr Carlyle. But it was an inference that could not be founded on that material. One important element for consideration was the rules now in force for electing the party leaders; neither the National Union nor the the local constituency associations were consulted.

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There were other powerful objections to the commissioners conclusion, it was absurd to support a member of

pose that a member of Parliament who crossed the floor thereby became a member of an unincorporated association, the existence of which he was un-aware. The role of peers accept-

aware. The true of peers accepting the Conservative whip was also obscure; they did not need to be members of any local constituency association and were under no obligation to contribute to Central Office tunds.

The commissioners' decision

rue commissioners' decision was absurd: the Conservative Party was a political movement with many parts which worked together to a common end. Their approach to the question whether it was an unincorporated association which was the covered the

tion which was the owner of the funds was misconceived. A tax-

payer was not to be taxed on the ground that certain income must either be his or be the

must, either be his or be the income of some other taxpayer and that that other taxpayer had successfully resisted a claim to tax in respect of it. As Lord Wilberforce observed in Garside v IRC ([1958] AC 553) "a subject is not to be taxed on a dilemma".

The commissioners had been

wrong to find the existence of an unincorporated association and the appeal was allowed. An order was made for the repayment to the party treasurer of an amount

representing the difference

income tax on the income of the funds with interest thereon.

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rulity in the fear of a charge of conspiracy. There was not the slightest evidence of any conspiracy. Granada's evidence was that

the documents were volunteered, and reached them without any prior agreement or solicitation by them. Nor was there anything to show any real risk of Granada be-ing liable to be prosecuted for any offence save under the Theft Act, which Mr Irvine had accepted was of no avail to Granada.

The whole edifice Mr Irvine had laboured to erect seemed to rest on wholly exiguous foundations of evidence and was devoid for self-in according to the control of the contro

of reality. His Lordship accordingly rejected that contention.
On Granada's claim that the court had a discretionary power court had a discretionary power to refuse to order disclosure and that it ought to be exercised in the present case. Mr Irvine contended that it was in the public interest that the media of information should normally not be forced to disclose their sources of information, for otherwise much of the information would cease to flow to them, and they would be disabled in doing their beneficial work.

His Lordship had asked Mr Irvine to identify those who were entitled to the benefit of that special provision. On the feoting

entitled to the benefit of that special provision. On the feeting that it extended to newspapers, television companies and their staff, did it apply to freelance journalists or television reporters, obtaining information in the hope of persuading a newspaper or television company to buy the results? Did it apply to an author gathering material for a book for which he hoped to find a publisher? Or to a crank or a busybody preparing a paniphlet that he would publish at his own expense? What of manufacturing or advertising agents engaged in market research? Did it apply even to newspapers and television companies and their staffs if the material was being gathered for material was being gathered for some article or programme in-tended merely to entertain and not to expose some evil or wrong? The answers might help in identifying the basis on which the exemption rested. Was it, indeed, an exemption for newspapers and television companies and members of their staffs, whatever they did, or was it an exemption which depended on the person concerned in some investigation in what he believed to be the public good?

believed to be the public good? If one took the carr phrase "investigative journalism", did the emphasis He on the first word or on the second? Mr Irvine could not be tempted

Mr Irvine could not be tempted to give any specific answers. It was plain that the general thrust of his contentions was that the court had to balance the public interests involved both for and against disclosure. On that footing, the basic answer might be that information used with a serious trunced had a present aniche in purpose had a greater weight in the scales than information used for other purposes or not at all. There would thus be a sliding scale, as it were, and no need to lay down categories of persons

or purposes.

It had not been contended that the exemption had been recogmized as amounting to a privilege which, as of right, entitled a person to refuse to testify or disclose matters, like the privilege which enabled a client to exclude confidences between him and his solicitor and counsel. That clearly appeared from two cases arising ters, like the privilege which enabled a client to exclude confidences between him and his solicitor and counsel. That clearly appeared from two cases arising out of the Vassail Inquiry—AG p Clough (1963) 1 QB 773) and AG not to be preserved. Equally in many cases the press had exposed with those cases journalists giving wildness which otherwise evidence were held to have no immunity from answering proper questions which required them to disclose their sources. The whole question was one not of rights, cept the proposition that it was question was one not of rights, cept the proposition that it was but of how far the court had a in the public interest to preserve discretion, and of the factors that the liberty of the press.

snould be weighed in exercising it.

In some respects newspapers established that there was a were for a long while undoubtedly treated as being in a special position as regarded being forced to disclose their sources of information. disclose their sources of informa-tion. A practice grew up that in libel cases the courts would normally not compel a newspaper, prior to the trial of the action, to disclose the source of its informa-

tion.

Running through many cases were two strands of meaning for the rule—one that the process of discovery ought not to be used for the ulterior purpose of enabling the plaintiff to discover the name of someone against whom he could bring another action, and the other that there was some public interest in not requiring defendance in the notition of terms. public interest in the position of news-pagers to disclose their sources of information. At the same time, it was abundantly clear that the mat-ter was one of discretion: dis-closure should not be compelled without sufficient cause.

Now Order 82, rule 5 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, which applied to all defendants in defamation, laid down a flat prohibition and was not discretionary; to the transfer of the true times and to the defences of fair comment or publication on a privice of occasion. Presumably the extension had not taken away the benefits of the rest of the rule from newspapers. But it applied only at the interlocutory stage.

Mr Irvine's two main propositions were. (1) There was a reconnected discretion in the courts to exclude relevant cridence. or to abstain from requiring the disclosure of evidence (by way of discovery or intermetatories) which discovery or interrogatories) which should be exercised when con-siderations of a recognized public interest and policy in the circum-stances of the particular case outweighed the interests of the party desiring the evidence to be given or disclosed, (2) (1) The categories of public interest were of public interest were not closed; (ii) the courts would refuse to order disclosure where (a) disclosure would be in breach of some ethical or social value and (b) on balance that interest was her served by refusion to order best served by refusing to order disclosure.

On the authorities his Lordship

concluded that on balance in civil cases the judge did seem to have some discretionary power to exclude evidence that would otherexclude evidence that while other was clear from D v NSPCC ([1978] AC 171) that a mere promise of confidentiality would not, without more, protect a communication from disclosure. What mattered was the public interest and something had to be found to counterful the strong public interest of vail the strong public interest of gening the truth out in the ad-ministration of justice. His Lordship used the phrase "public interest", not in the sense of something which caught the interest of the public out of

curiosity or amusement, but in the sense of something which was of serious concern and benefit to the public. The phrase "recognized public interest" thus referred to a public interest in the latter sense which had become recognized as such. Had there arisen a recog-nized public laterest in the press and television companies not being obliged to disclose their sources

of information, and, if not, ought such an interest now to be recognized? There was no difficulty in acpress being entitled to refuse to disclose the source of its information and if not ought there to be? Mr Irvine had contended that the first preposition was established by the special position accorded to the press in defauscorded to the press in defama-tion at the interlocutory stage. But that was very far from saying that the courts had beld that there was a recognized public interest to that effect at the trial.

His Lordship had failed to find anything that could be regarded as establishing the recognized public interest for which Mr Irvine had contended. Instead the authori-ties tended to point the other way. Ought such an interest to be established by the courts? The NSPCC case strongly indicated that in such matters development formally proceeded through evolution

many proceeds through evidence by extension of recognized principles, or by analogy. One would not say there could never be a new category but, in deciding whether to recognize air claimant, the principles to be deduced from the settled law would provide suidance.

In the present case it was for from easy to see on what principle it ought to be declared that there was a recognized public interest and policy in protecting pross sources against disclosure. The and policy in profession. Prospective against disclosure. The press had often exposed wrong-drines which otherwise might have remained hidden. In that sense, and to that extent, the press was no doubt promoting a public benefit. But unlike the police or the NSPCC, whose major function was to prevent wrongdoing and to take remedial action when it occurred, those activities were but a minor part of the usual functions of the press. The press seemed, not always successfully, to make money by providing the public with a particular form of useful service. In the cross, news prodominated over entertainment though of course news could also be made offertaining. However, much or little such generalizations might be emertaining. However much or little such generalizations might be eccepted, so-called "investigation inversities" occupied but a small part of the space in the cross and the time of the television pro-grammes.

the time of the television programmes.

It had not been suggested that the nress or television commandes had been accorded any legal duries or nowers in carring out investigations and making exposures. For the noline there was a duty and for the NSPCC there was a statitory nower; but for the nress and television companies there ampeared to be nothing save the exercise of their free choice. There could do as much or as little as they wished. At most, there might be said to be a self-imposed duty, and such a duty seemed to be a slender foundation for extending to them the NSPCC.

Referring to investigative jour-

and the NSPCC.

Referring to investigative journalism, his Lordship said that it was not always beneficial to the public. There had been instances of exposure of scandals, which in the event had turned out to be no scandals at all but only the prelude to expensive claims for defamation. There was no public interest in the publication of unjustified libels and bringing untaintess to criminal trials.

The police and NSPCC made mis-The police and NSPCC made mistakes; but whereas the police and the NSPCC were wholly devoted to activities that were plainly in the public interest, without being im-pelled by any profit motive or consciousness of mere newsworth-

ness, the same could not be said of the press and television com-panies.

His Lordship held that there was no recognized public interest as claimed by Mr Irvine.

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organization would

against placing any further con-fidential information in the power Idential information in the power of an undiscovered employee who had committed a great breach of confidence. As well as being unpleasant, such an atmosphera was plainly likely to militate against efficiency.

If, contrary to his Lordship's opinion, he had to weight Cranada's claim to a public interest in preserving confidentiality against the public interest in

full disclosure being made (2...) litigation, his Lordship had no hesitation in holding that the balance came down on the side of disclosure. There was no other way in which BSC could obtain the information, and they needed. it to protect themselves against a real peril. To day them the information would be a decial of institution to plaintiffs who clearly had been seriously wronged. Even at the interloc tery stage, if the had been seriously wronged. Even, at the interlocatory stage, if the fair disposal of a case could not be achieved without ordering the covery, then as a last resort the covery would be ordered. Seriously, Remarch Council v Nasse (1979), 3 WLR 762, 7711 by Lord Wibserforce commenting on the use of

3 WLR 762, 771) by Lord Wilber-force commenting on the use of-the term "balawing".

There was the question of all Nordelsh Pharmard order at the equitable ramedy. If such an order was distributed, it was necessary to consider all prener-questions which might affect the exercise of the discretion, and requestions which engage activities carries of the discretice and not marely questions of public intracts. Damages would be an increase, and he wery difficult to assess and his Lordship could not see how any sum that would not see how any sum that would be l'kely to be awarded could adequately recompense BSC for the construing inlury done to them by leaving in their midst en undergovers limits their midst en undergovers limits.

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Granada had received a large number of documents which they know were confident and had been illicitly browth to them they used them for a critical television programme, making considerable play of their secrety, and doubtless taking full advantage of the public's curiouse about things secret; and when at last they returned them, them unitated them, knowing full well that they had no right to do sil. From first to last BSC had denote the those circumstances, the con-

Granada.

In those circumstances, the confitention that BSC should don't all and let byegones be byegone; almost took his Lordship's breathaway. Such a phrase could have no application when all the injury was on one side. He had nevor heard of a quid no pro quo.

In the result, if the general discretion applicable to equitable remedies had to be exercised in the present case, his Lordship would unhestitatingly exercise it in favour of BSC. Nothing in Granada's claim to preserve confidentiality came near to countervailing ality came near to countervailing.
BSC's claim to the relief these sought. It was trite that there we no confidentiality in intquity; and Granada's participation in the hreach of confidence, if in notahreach of confidence, if in nota-ing worse, was flagrant. The case-was not of the exposure of in-quity but of exposure by iniquity, and of exploiting the fruits of wrongdoing. Granada was saying that although they had knowing; and publicly intringed BSC's con-fidences. They were endtled to maintain the confidentiality that they promised that disperses they primised their disconsi-source of information. Granada's right to remain silent about 15 For Granda Mr Boulton formation islent about 10asserted that it was plain that "BSC has embarked on a punitive expedition". That might or might not be 50 kert and the provide her pro out any

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3.55 Play School: Edward Lear's story Quangle Wangle's Hat, with Helen Oxenbury's illustrations. 4.20 The All New Popeye Show: cartoon fun, starring the spinach-earing sailor. 4.40 Graham's Gang: The gang are involved in the mak-ing of a movie (r). 5.05 John Craven's Newsround: junior news-

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Swiss fale of a mare and the local horse show (r); 9.55 Young Britons: Banking opportunities for

10.00 Cartoon Time: 10.15 Her-

Stones: a lesson in shapes for young children; 12,30 The Sullivans: the serial about an Austra-

1.00 pm News, 1.20 Thames News,

1.30 Together: Life in a block of

flats, Rutherford Court. Mother-in-law trouble.

2.00 After Noon Pius: Interview with Jimmy Baio (Billy Tate in the Soap TV comedy series; and a chat with Harry Ramsden, owner of the world's biggest fish and

drama All the King's Men.

BBC 1, 3.55. Closedown at 11.25.

reel. 5.10 Blue Peter: Behind the scenes of a Dr Who exhibition.
5.40 News: with Richard Baker.
5.55 Nationwide.

Second showing of Robert Holles's strong play about 6.55 Tomorrow's World: Judith Hannes has an encounter

with frogs in the course of an analysis of dust from the aunosphere. Also, new technology for training carsmen, and how car fish can increase the world's alligator population.
7.20 Top of the Pops: Featuring
the records which pop music
enthusiasts are buying or are conennusiasts are buying or are con-templating buying.

7.55 Lennie and Jerry: Comedy show with Lennie Bennett and Jerry Stevens. Their guests are Terry Wogan and Helen Shapiro, with the Ali Hassani Troupe, a speciality act.

8.30 The Real Thing: Continuing

James Burke's investigation into the real meaning of reality. Tonight: why one man's now can sometimes be another man's then. Third film in a series of six (see Personal Choice).

Monica Furlong made in the Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem. Ronald Eyre narrates, Martin Jarvis con-tributes the readings.

7.20 Europe's Time Bomb: The Guests Who Won't Go Home: An investigation into a vast social problem—the 15 million migrant workers from poorer areas and their families which flooded into sesters. Europe and shour to signs

western Europe and show no signs of wanting to return to their home-lands (see Personal Choice).

8.40 In the Making: Film about Catherine Mannheim, maker of

Catherine Mannheim, maker of jewelry as a means of self-expres-sion. She likes her products to be

an NCO (Bill Patterson) who comes to grief both in the Army and in Civey Street. Not a good adverisement for the Army of today—if it's a true representation of what goes

Radio 4

6.10 Farming Today.

10.45 Question Time: Robin Day is again in the chair, and his panel consists of Julian Critchley MP, the American journalist Bonnie Angelo, Baroness Jeger and Trevor Phillips, students' union president. 11.45 News headlines and weather,

Prue Clark as Constance and Joss Ackland as the head of the family. 9.30 Man Alive: Look Mum, I'm Brighter than they Think: Offi-Brighter than they faink: Officially (according to the Department of Education, that is) dyslexia does not exist. This is a documentary about the controversy, Michael Dean consideres the case of two young children suffering from the "non-existent" disease (see Personal Choice).

10.20 The 15th Cambridge Folk Festival: Featured artistes tonight are Rockin' Dopsic and the Cajun Twisters, Harvey Andrews and Tannabill Weavers.

10.45 Newsnight: The news and current affairs programme. worn, not locked up in the bank as an investment. We see her making a brooch from awabi shell, set in 11.30 Work and Leisure: Royal Institution lecture by Richard Hog-9.00 A Question of Guit: Part four of this painstaking reconstruc-tion of the mystery surrounding the murder of young Savill Kent, step-brother of Constance Kent, who was tried for killing him, With gart. Warden of Goldsmitts College, University of London. Repeated on Sunday afternoon. 11.55 Closedown: John Ormond's poem Cathedral Builders is read by Derek Jacobi.

THAMES

gold and silver.

2.45 The Birmingham International Show-Jumping Championships 1980: Highlights from the Selko Time Stakes, with young riders prominently featured. 3.45 Looks Familiar: Show business quiz, conducted by Denis Norden. The experts are Kenneth More, Dinah Sheridan and William 9.00 Best Sellers : A Man Called

Franklyn. 4.15 Little House on the Prairie: Romantic alfresco yarn, about young love. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm: Who is

10.00 Cartoon Time; 10.15 Heritage: film about the French Canadians (r); 11.05 The Mackenzie Affair: episode 2 of this serial a out a stowaway and hi: dog; 11.55 The Bubblies: The Pediar Comes to Town; 12.00 Topper's Tales: Julian Orchard reads the story of The Photograph; 12.10 Stepping Stores: a lesson in shapes for polsoning the wild birds? And Amos receives a worrying letter. 5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News. 6.20 Crossroads: Marian Owen is a good-news messenger, and Chris Hunter has words with J. Henry

Pollard. 6.45 Film: The Mask of Alexander Cross (1977). A thriller, made for TV about a "double" who assumes the identity of a dead crook. Paul Shenar plays the dual role. Also starting Hollywood veteral Liond Notes.

eran Lloyd Nolan.

8.00 Armchair Thriller: Episode 4
of The Circe Complex. More about eran Lloyd Nolan.

the hunt for £400,000 of stolen 8.30 The Black Abbots : Comedy show, with songs, featuring the British group led by a funny musi-cian Russ Abbot.

As Thames extept; 9.30 am Search the Ruyal Persian Road, 10.20 Ahol Opening, Austher Show, 11.10 Comes Weet, 11.23 Sationary A 12.30 pm Gartening Today 4.15 Uncertainty A 1.5 Common Search Se Intrepid: Continuation of the warinterplate Communication of the war-time adventure yarn about a spy ring and German plans to build an atomic bomb. With David Niven, Michael York, Flora Robson. 10.00 News.

10.30 Best Sellers: A Man Called Intrepid (Contd.). The final part of this serial will be screened on As Thames except: Starts 10.15 am Another Opening, Another Show, 11.05 Country Comes West, 11.30 Excirct Theatre Show, 120 pm Lunchlime, 4.13 News, 4.15 Little House on the Frairle, 5.15 Bubbles, 5.30 Cross-roads, 6.00 Good Evening, Ulster, 6.50 Police Six, 7.00 Emmerciale Farm, 7.30 Leave It to Charile, 12.15 am Healing Inc. Wounds, 12.20 Bedtime. Saturday.

11.15 The Birmingham International Show-Jumping Championships, 1980: We see two of the big events—the Seako Tropby, and the Seiko Quartz Trophy. There Is £12,000 to win.

12.15 am What the Papers Say: Presented by Bruce Page, editor of the New Statesman. 12.30 Encounter at Easter: The

suburban housewife and Geoffrey

Palmer as her dentist husband. 9.35 News with Richard Baker. 9.45 The Eddic Capra Mysteries: Trouble over an alibi in a murder

nse (see Personal Choice).

10.35 Olivet to Calvary: Performance in Gloucester Cathedral of the best known work by John Henry Maunder (1856-1920). With

Kenneth Bowen (Tenor), Gwynne Howell (bass), and the Cardiff Polyphonic Choir--organist James Lancelor.

11.40 Love Among the Ruins: George Cukor's first television movie, made in 1974, stars Cath-

final for the BBC snooker trophy.

9.35 A Different Drummer : Dram-

10.35 Marnie: 1964 Hitchcock

thriller, though not one of the classics, about a beautiful girl who goes in for thievery because she hates men and is forced into mar-

riage by a rich publisher who sees her as an experimental subject.

Starring Sean Connery and Tippi Hedren. I found it a bit hamfisted,

Emmy winner.

Regions

RADIO 3000

Radio 3 6.55 am Weather. 6.00 am News Briefing. 7.00 News. 7.05 Records : Copland, Satie, Pou-

6.30 Today. 7.00, 8.00 News. 8.00 News. 8.05 Records : Smetana, Dohnanyi, 7.30, 8.30 Headlines.

7. Tchaikovsky, Liszt.† 9.00 News. 9.05 Week's Composer : Hindemith 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00 News. 9.05 Quote . . . Unquote. † 9.30 The Living World.

9.05 Week's Composer: Hindemuta tincl Vin Conc).† 10.00 Syntagma Musicum of Amsterdam, pt 1: Dufay.† 10.35 Interval realing. 10.40 SMA, pt 2: 15th and 16th century music.† 11.20 Cello, piano, Beethoven (Son 3), Shostakovich.† 10.00 News. 19.05 Capterbury Pilgrimage (4). 10.20 Royal Maundy.+ 11.30 Enterprise (3). 12.00 News. 12.02 pm You and Yours.

12.15 pm Manchester Camerata pt 1: C. P. E. Bach, Britten. 12.27 The Jason Explanation.† 12.25 Weather. 1.00 The World at One. 1.40 The Archers. .00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour.

pt 1: C. P. E. Bach, Britten.;
1.00 News.
1.95 Man Cam, pt 2: Krenek (Die Nachtigall—1st UK perf), Schubert (Sym 3).†
1.45 Piano: Sihelius, Scott, Ireland, Bridge, Debussy.†
2.10 Quarter (Coull): Haydn (op 54 no 1), Mendelssohn.†
3.00 Brass (Stockholm Phil): Pezel, Ewald, Arnold, Danielsson, Crainger.† .00 News. .02 Listen With Mother. 1.02 Listen With Mother. 1.15 Play: The Collections, from P. Hartley 4.15 Any Answers ? 4.45 Story: The Great Electrical

Grainger † 3.50 Songs : Faure, Finzi, 5.00 PM. Weather 4.55 News. 5.00 Music for early evening.† News. Brain of Britain 1980.† 7.00 Talking about Music.+ 7.30 The Great Prayer (4). 7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Time for Verse.
7.30 Bach: St John Passion, pt 1.†
8.35 St John Passion, part 2.† 7.50 Record: Finzi.†
8.90 The Image of God: English
Mystery plays (3).†
9.45 Oboe (Craxron). piano:
Britten (1st bdcsts), A. Richard-

10.00 The World Tonight. 11.00 A Book at Bedtime. 11.15 Financial World Tonight. 10,15 Book, Music and Lyrics.† 11,00 Building a Library: 1 Pag-liacci.† 11,55-12,00 News. 11.30 Today in Parliament 12.15-12.23 am Weather. Radio 2

S.00 am News, weather. S.03 Ray Moore.† 7.32 Terry Wogan.† 10.03 Jimmy Young.† 12.03 pm David Hamilton.† 2.03 Ed Stewart. † 4.03 Much More Music.† 5.00 News. 5.50 am Regional news, weather 7.50 Regional news, weather. 5.50 pm Regional news, weather. 11.00-11.30 Study on 4: Over to Youth (5).

5.05 Waggoners' Walk. 5.20 Much More Music. 6.03 John Dunn. 1 8.02 Country Club. 1 9.02 Alan Dell. 1 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.02 Windsor Davies. 10.30 Star Sound Extra. 11.05 Brian Matthew. 2.02-5.00 am You and the Night and the

Music.+

Radio 1 5.00 am As Radio 2. 7.00 Dave Lee Travis. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11:31 Peter Powell. 2.00 pm Andy Peebles. 4.31 Kld Jensen. 7.00 Tal-kabout. 8.00 Mike Read. 9.50 Newsbear. 10.00 John Peel.; 12:00-

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Southern

As Thames except: 9.30 am Call II Macaroni. 9.55 Dynomult. 10.25 Sword of Peace. 10.40 Just For Fun, 1.20 pm News. 2.00 Housepartv. 2.30 Maglila Garilla. 4.15 Project UFO. 5.10 Carloon. 5.20 Crossroads. 6.00 Day by Day. 6.00 Callene South-East. 10.00 Feople Rule 1 12.15 am News. 12.20 Weather. 10.00 Callene South-East. 10.00 Callene South-East. 10.00 Callene South-East. 10.00 Feople Rule 1 12.15 am News. 12.20 Weather. 10.00 Callene South-East. 10.00 Calle

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te Thames except: 9.30 am Sesame street. 10.20 Place to Live. 10.45 Lovi slands. 11.10 Stationary Ark. 11.35 lmtstones. 1.20 pm Granada Reports. 45 Amazing World of Kreskin. 4.15 Livage 1. 5.10 This is Your Right. 15 Crossroads. 5.00 Granada Reports. 15 Crossroads. 5.00 Granada Reports.

Bach, Vivaldi. 8.00 News.

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11.55 Interval reading.

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7.00 The Great Prayer (5).

11.15 SNO/Gardelli, pt 1: Pai-siello, Respighi (Pines).†

12.05 pm SNO, pt 2: Tchaikovsky (Sym 1).†

As Thatmes except: 9.30 am 20.000 Leagues Under the Sec. 10.15 Another Opening, Another Show. 11.05 Country Comecs West. 11.30 Electric Theater Snow. 1.25 am News. 2.00 Rouseparty. 2.30 Sound of . . .4.15 Rubbites. 4.25 Blocket Robin Hood. 4.45 Next Week Show. 5.15 Enumerdale Farm. 5.00 About Angine. 6.20 Arona. 6.35 Crostroads. 7.00 Morth On. 12.15 am Hymn for Maundy Thursday.

Westward As Thomas except: Starts 9.25 am Les Bicyclettes de Bristee 8.30 Wondy Woodpecker Show 10.15 Anothrogenius, Another Show. 11.05 Country Comes 19:51. 11.30 Detecte Thealtry Show. 12.00 pm News. 4.15 Uns Honeybon's Birthosys. 4.18 Little House on the Prairie. 5.15 Emmerdale farm. 6.00 Westward Diary. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Westward Report. 7.30 What's On Next. 10.28 News. 12.15 am Faith for Uffe. As Thomes except: Starts 9.20 am Good Word. 8.30 Mystery Island. 9.40 Stars on Ice. 10.05 Beatles. 10.15 Another Opening. Another Show. 11.05 Country Come West. 11.30 Electric Thealre Show. 1.20 pm News. Lookareand. 4.1 4.04 Islands. 4.45 Criety Adams. 6.00 News. 5.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Lile. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30 Leave it to Charile. 12.15 am News. 12.17 Epilogue.

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Thing, 9.20 Young Ramsay, 10.45
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6.35 Crossroads, 7.00 Charite's Angels,
12.15 am Reflections, 12.20 News, 7. ATV

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As Thames except: 9.30 am Coral World, 10.20 Wild, Wild World of Animals, 10.45 Scalab 2020, 11.10 Three for the Road, 12.30 pm Look Who's Talling, 1.20 News, 4.15 Woody Woodnecker, 4.45 Salvago-1, 6.00 Calender, 6.35 Crossrads, 7.00 Enmedular, 6.35 Crossrads, 7.00 Enmedular am Supersiar Profile: Steven Spelberg

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PERSONAL CHOICE



trips the light fantastic with Juliet Prowse in Bruce 's Big Night (ITV, 7.30)

rriday is a holiday which the British approach with a mount of shame and embarrassment, since the ions of the original holy-day have not been quite lost. It is this, television treats Good Friday as an excuse for ed holiday entertainment, but in a rather lower key. Easter Monday or Christmas Day. The films tend to be iopworn, the variety shows are less than spectacular, and dislots "get, if not quite top billing, then something earer to it than usual. Friday is a holiday which the British approach with a

BBC and ITV present films with religious backgrounds, commercial channel having the edge in The Shoes of the an (3.00), starring Anthony Quinn as a Pope from behind Curtain. The opposition, King of Kings (BBC 2, 4.15), is an satisfactory attempt to Hollywoodize the life of Christ any case looks uncomfortable beside ITV's recent wan version. The musical concessions to Good Friday are Calvary (BBC 1, 10.25), the finest prestorio by the now Calvary (BBC 1, 10.35), the finest oratorio by the now mable Victorian composer and hymn-writer, John Henry I, with the Cardiff Polyphonic Choir, who also take part I's Requiem Mass (Tr.V., 10.45). And for pure Christianity a Good Friday service from Oxford (BBC I, 11.00) and the Cardiff proadcast—very well done—as him of Cardinal in 1020 The Crase (TTV 12.36). top of Canterbury in 1980 The Cross (ITV, 12:30).

ishman Jack Clemo has been dear for all but 20 of his 64 ishman Jack Clemo has been deaf for all but 20 of his 64 d blind for the past quarter of a century, yet he has led himself as one of Britain's finest poets and is even ect of a poem of homage by Charles Causley. In A the Drummer (BBC 2, 9.35) Jack Clemo tells in dramatized story of his struggles not only against his handicaps but see puts it himself, against God. "I am a writer who was from the outset by the search for love," he says. "I had al approach to it and that brought religion in, but I human love also, in order to cancel out the shadows of thity." Clema is a man who, in Thoreau's words, has "dity." Cleme is a man who, in Thoreau's words, has to a different drummer and marched out of step with his coraries. His story will make fascinating viewing.

Eddie Capra Mysteries (BBC 1, 9.45) is an agreeable e series in clean-ent, all-American style, and unusual in plots do depend on some smart detective work by the ther than a last-minute car dash and a lot of gunplay. Eddie becomes involved with a murder suspect who rotests her innocence. Nothing unusual in that he claims she was committing a different murder at the

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Good Friday programmes

Edited by David Sinclair

a traditional one, The Duckpond, 4.15 Roobarb: Cartoon (r), 4.20 Jackanory: William Rushton reads from Winnie-the-Pooh, 4.35 Bine Peter Special Assign-

4.35 Blue Peter Special Assignent: Peter Purves tells the story
of St Therese of Lissieux. I
enjoyed this series immensely
when it was first shown and rated
Wellington as the best one, though
1 suppose St Therese is more
appropriate to Good Friday (r).
5.20 News with Kenneth Kendall.
5.35 Raw Raw Rooster.
5.45 The Wonderful World of Disney: Nosey, the Sweetest Skunk in

ney: Nosey, the Sweetest Skunk in the West. One of the Disney wild-

the west one of the Disney whil-life series (r).
6.35 Robert Brothers Easter Circus: Sime of the world's lead-ing Big Top artistes in a holiday

speciacular.
7.35 The Land that Time forgot:

7.55 The Land that Time torgot;
1975 film based on a story by
Edgar Rice Burroughs, creator of
Tarzan. Survivors from a First
World War British ship are mysteriously transported to an island
ruled by prehistoric men and
monsters. Starring Dong McClure,
John McEnery and Susan Penhali-

gon.

9.05 Butterflies: Splendid sitcom series transferred from BBC 2.
With Wendy Craig as frustrated

7.25 Outside a City Wall : The Holy

TELEVISION

BBC 1 9.55 am Ludwig: Animation with music (r). 10.00 Jackanory : Maurice Denham concludes Ferret Summer, by Brigid Chard (r). 10.15 Tarzan, Lord of the Jungle: 10.15 Tarzan, Lord of the Jungle: Cartoons (r).

10.49 Mike Harding's Easter Book Fair: Hilday books to read, a record-breaking illustration by Quentin Blake and a special 2,000th appearance by Desperate Dan.

11.00 Good Friday Moraing: Service from Christ Church, Oxford, Article Christ Church, Oxford. including the singing of the St John Passion. 12.00 The Royal Forest: Celebra-

tion and plea for the preservation of the New Forest, claimed by William the Conqueror in 1079. Narrator Tony Britton. 12.50 pm News. 1.65 Camberwick Green : Puppers (r). 1.22 The All Star Record Breakers

introduced by Roy Castle, with special guest Valerie Singleton (r). 2.15 Born Free: 1966 film that made the late Joy Adamson and her lioness. Elsa world famous. Starring Virginia McKenna and Bill Travers. Bill Travers. 3.50 Play School : Today's story is

BBC 2 11.00 am Play School: Same as BBC 1 at 3.50. Closedown at 11.25. 4.15 pm King of Kings : Pre-Robert Powell attempt (1962) to portray

the life of Christ on the screen. Suffers from the common Hollywood fault of curious casting. Robert Ryan as John the Baptist, Rip Toru (most recently seen as President Nixon) as Judas. Jesus is played by Jeffrey Hunter. 6.50 Gardeners' World comes from

9.30 am The Shadow: Dramatiza-tion of a tale by Hans Christian

10.00 A Handful of Songs: Singing and painting with Maria Morgan and Keith Field.

10.10 Once Unop a Time: Peter Davison (from All Creatures Great and Small) tells the story of The Ball That Didn't Know What It Was, and charmingly, too (r):

10.25 Knights of the Round Table :

10.25 Knights of the Round Table:
1953 all action spectacular about
king Arthur and his chivelrous
(and occasionally villainous) band.
The cast list reads like a Who's
Who of the cinema, starting with
Robert Taylor, Ava Gardner, Mel
Ferrer. Camelot was never like
this, though the scriptwriter
generously acknowledges his debt
to Sir Thomas Malory.

12.30-pm 1980 The Cross: A medi-tation for Good Friday by Arch-bishop Robert Runcle.

1.05 The Gossamer Albatross : Film about Bryan Allen, the Cali-fornian who ficw the English Chan-

nel in a manpowered aircraft last

1.00 News.

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the public gardens at Dyffryn House, near Cardiff, With Geof-frey Smith and Clay Jones. 7.15 News with subtitles for the hard of hearing.

Sepulchre.
from Australia, meets Irishman
7.35 Captain Beaky's World of Dennis Taylor in the second semi-Words and Music: Captain Beaky and Hissing Sid are now firmly entrenched in the public conscious-ness (readers who don't know what I'm talking about may as well stop here—it would take too long to explain), but there is more to them than just a hit record. How much more is shown by Penelope Keith, Harry Secombe, Keith Michel, Gordon Jackson, Noel Edmonds

and Captain Beaky's creator, Jeremy Lloyd.
8.20 Vikings! Third of 10 films in which Magnus Magnusson searches for the truth about the feared warriors who were also master arti-

12.40 am The Outer Limits: Vin-rage sci-fi series with Warren Stevens and Gall Kobe. 3.00 The Shoes of the Fisherman : Anthony Quinn as Pope in this 1968 film based on the Morris West 2.00 The Birmington International Show-lumping Championships.

> 5.45 News. 6.00 Easter Star Games: Michael Aspel hosts a special edition of the Aspel nosts a special contion of the show in which showbusiness per-sonalities compete at swimming, canoning, bowling, running, foot-ball and tug-of-war. London Weekend

> 7.00 The Muppet Show: Diana Ross is the star guest in this vastly overrated puppet show.

7.30 Bruce Forsyth's Big Night: I preferred him in The Generation Game, Guests include Carol Chaning, Joan Collins, Jimmy Tarbuck and Reginald Bosanquet. 9.00 Show-jumping from Birming-ham: The Coral Racing Pulssance. 10.00 Fully Licensed for Singing and Dancing: Roy Walker takes us on another tour of the clubs. 10.30 News.

10.45 Mozart's Requiem Mass from Archbishop Runcie talks contained, Start Burrows (contained), Start Burrows (tenor) and Gwynne Howell (bass), not to mention the LSO.

11.50 Encounter at Faster.

6.00 am News Briefing.
6.10 Records: Elgar.†
6.30 Today.
7.00, 8.00 News.
7.30, 8.30 Headlines.
8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.

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9.00 News.

9.05 Desert Island Discs.

9.45 Down the Garden Path.

10.00 Litany and Ante-Commun-

10.45 Capterbury Pilgrimage (5).† 11.00 News. 11.05 Portrait of Sri Lanka.† 11.50 Bird of the Week.

12.00 News.
12.00 News.
12.02 pm You and Yours.
12.27 My Music.†
12.55 Weather.
1.00 The World at One.
1.40 The Archers. 2.00 The Last Hour : meditation.†

2.00 The Last Hour: meditation.†
3.00 News.
3.02 Listen With Mother.
3.15 Play: Closed Circuit, by
Valerie Georgeson.†
4.10 Portrait of John Snagge.
4.40 Preview.
4.45 Story: The Sticking Point.
5.50 PM.
5.55 Weather. arine Hepburn as a rich and attrac-tive widow being sued for breach of promise by a young man. The eminent lawyer she consults (played by Laurence Olivier) remembers her.... A triple

6.00 News. 6.30 Going Places.

.20 Pick of the Week.+ 8.10 Profile. 8.30 Any Questions? 9.15 Letter From America. 9.30 Kaleidoscope. 10.00 The World Tonight.

10.35 Week Ending.† 11.00 A Book at Bedtime. 11.15 Easter Vigil. 11.45 Epilogue. 12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Weather.

VHF 7.50 Regional news, weather. 7.50 Regional news, weather. 5.50 pm Regional news, weather.

Radio 3

6.55 am Weather. 7.00 News.

Scottish

Channel

Yorkshire

Granada

Anglia

As London except: Starts 1.00 pm News: 11.45 Police Surgeon.

As London except: 9.30 am Spiderman. 11.45 Fantasy Island.

As London except: 9.30 am Woody
Woodpecker Show. 10.25 Look at Life.
10.35 Film: The Count of Monte
Crisic. (Robert Donalt, 11.45
Film: Footsteps in the 1'og (Jean Simmons).

Radio 2

(D929).† 11.53-12.00 News.

5.00 am News, weather, 5.03 Ray Moore.† 8.03 Terry Wogan.† 10.03 Ed Stewart.† 11.03 On the Hill. 11.55 The Choice is Yours. 12.03 pm David Hamilton.† 3.03 Much

Ploughmau (11).† 10.00 Benjamin Britten : The Early

Years (1).† 11.00 Trio (Beaux Arts) ; Schubert

goners' Walk. 5.20 Much to-Music.† 5.30 John Dunn.† 8.024-tor Silvester Jnr.† 8.45 Fr. Night is Music Night.† 9.55 Spc. Desk. 10.02 Marks in his Dia. 10.30 The Organist Entertain 11.05 Brian Mattnew. 2.02 am-5.0 8.05 Records: Strauss, Haydn 100), Schumann, Saint-9.05 Week's Composer: Hinde-You and the Night and the Music.

10.00 Choir (Westminster Cath-Radio 1 10.30 Piano : Mendelssohn, Pou-lenc, Berkeley, Szymanowski,

RADIO REPORTED TO THE REPORT OF THE PROPERTY O 7.05 Records : Gianella, Haydn, More Music. 7 5.00 News, 5.05

S.00 am As Radio 2. 7.00 Dave Leveravis. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.31 Peter Powell. 2.00 pm Anay Peebles. 4.31 Kid Jensen. 5.39 Newsbeat. 5.45 Roundtable. 7.30 Anne Nightingale. 9.50 Newsbeat. 10.00 Friday Rock Show.† 12.00-5.00 am As Radio 2. VHF RADICS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2. 10.00 pm With Radio 1. 12.00-5.00 am with Radio 2.

1.05 Quartet (Lindsay) : Schubert, Wolf). 2.00 Mainz Chamber Orch Kehr : World Service

2.00 Mainz Chamber Orch Kehr:
Haydn (Seven Last Words).†
3.00 Plano (Bolet), pt 1: Liszt
(Transcendental Studies).†
3.30 In Short: ralk.
3.40 Bolct. pt 2: Liszt.†
4.30 BBC Northern SO/Downes, pt
1: Prokofiev (Eugene Onegin
music—world premiere).†
5.55 Interval reading.
6.05 BBCNSO, pt 2: Prokofiev
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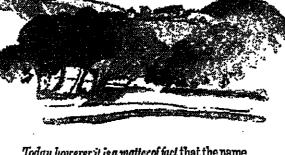
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